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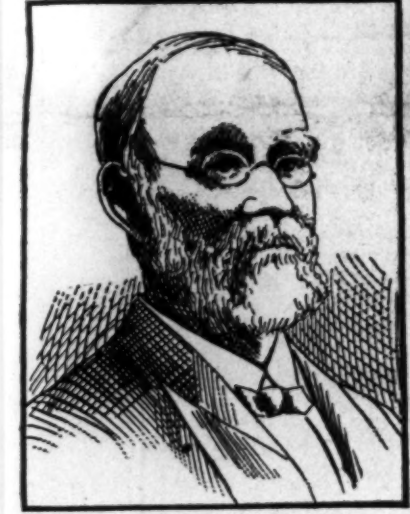
RESULT OF ECONOMY.

How the Greatest Farm in United States Was Created.

Prudent Farmer Who Started with Nothing Clears \$100,000 a Year and Owns and Manages 22,000 Acres of Land.

The state of Missouri has the distinction of having within her borders as a citizen the most extensive individual farmer in the United States, if not in the civilized world. He is David Rankin, of Tarkio, Mo., the owner of 14 ranches, including more than 22,000 acres of as fine black soil as the sun ever shone on. The New York Sun says: Mr. Rankin is the largest stock feeder in the world. He buys more corn than any other farmer in the United States, and most of it is fed to stock on his farms. Besides the extensive farming operations, Mr. Rankin is interested in many other enterprises. In appearance he is a typical farmer. He is six feet two inches tall and weighs 180 pounds. Each day he rides over his farms and gives orders to his foreman. He frequently stops on the way to assist in pulling a steer out of a mud hole or to build a shed to protect a fat porker from the rays of the hot sun. He is as familiar with the men employed on his farms as a housewife is with her domestic duties. To the person who has never visited the Rankin farms the problem of carrying on the work seems to be a great task, but the system is so thorough and complete that the management is easy.

Mr. Rankin owns about 22,000 acres of land; besides this he leases considerable land adjoining him. It takes about 700 teams and 220 men to do his work during the busy months of summer, while the crops are being put in cultivated and harvested. Each ranch has a foreman who has full charge of the work on the one ranch under his supervision; he is required to make out a monthly report, filling out a printed blank, giving in detail the



DAVID RANKIN.
(Said to be the Largest Stock Feeder in the World.)

amount expended and taken in during the month. This report is submitted to Mr. Rankin on the 5th of each month.

The examination of the final statements of the year 1902 showed that a total of 7,539 head of cattle had been sold. They brought the sum of \$172,520. The number of hogs sold was 8,249, for which the sum of \$111,846.14 was received.

The total clearance of his operations during 1900 was more than \$100,000. This was his most prosperous year. During the month of July the teams and men cultivate an average of 1,000 acres of corn a day. They use the double row riding cultivator. This plow is a disk concern, so arranged as to plow the ground on both sides of a row of corn. One man can plow from 20 to 25 acres a day with one of them. They are easy on both man and beast. Mr. Rankin gave as a donation \$50,000 to the United Presbyterian college at Tarkio. This is one of the leading colleges of the state. He is a believer in higher education of the masses and that churches and schools are the two potent factors which have brought the American people up to the high standard which they have attained.

The following tabulated statement of his operations during the last year shows some astonishing figures:

Number of acres farmed.....	22,190
Expense per acre.....	\$4.77
Amount corn bought in bushels.....	325,749
Amount paid for corn.....	\$108,548.09

It costs \$3,000 a year to keep the ranches in chain harness. The home barn of Mr. Rankin is four stories high and of octagonal shape. The Rankin home is an attractive place and is handsomely furnished throughout. To a question of how he made his start he said: "When I was married I was so poor my wife and I could not even buy a bread board. We managed and saved what we could. Prosperity has smiled on us. Having worked hard a good portion of my life I have also saved where others would have spent money."

The Crossing of Africa.

A list of explorers who have crossed Africa shows that from 1802 to 1811 the feat was accomplished by a Portuguese, Honorato de Costa; in 1838 and 1863 by Francesco Coletta and Silva Porto; in 1864 by Dr. Livingstone; in 1865 by Gerhard Rohlfs; in 1874 by Lieut. Cameron and Mr. Stanley; then by Sena

Pinto and the Italians Mattiello and Massari; next by Lieut. Wissmann, from 1882 to 1884; then by the Scotch missionary Arnat, the Portuguese Capello and Ivans, the Swedish Lieut. Gierup, who occupied the least time, crossing from Stanley Falls to Bagamoyo in six months; the Austrian Dr. Senz; Mr. Stanley for the second time; and, finally, Capt. Trivier, the French traveler. The first explorer who crossed Africa took nearly ten years, while the last occupied barely a year.

PROF. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON'S LOVE FOR CHEAP NOTORIETY. WHAT IS HE GETTING FOR IT?

(From the Scranton, Pa. Defender.)

The seeming staid plan of Prof. Booker T. Washington to embarrass President Roosevelt, and to place him in a false light before the American people is beginning to assume serious proportions, until prominent Republican, colored and white are beginning to inquire what are his motives. Is it a sordid plan on the part of the anti-Roosevelt trust capitalists to defeat the President's nomination, or is it the plan of the Southern agitators to defeat President Roosevelt at the polls if nominated, or is it Mr. Washington's love of cheap notoriety to the detriment of his people in the South? Nearly a year and a half ago, when President Roosevelt first came to the White House, meeting such a strange situation, he invited Professor Washington with other well known leaders to a conference, regarding the great racial problem that was then agitating the country. Out of his large heartedness and generous spirit, he invited Dr. Washington to lunch. The President thought nothing of this act of courtesy to a worthy man. But Mr. Washington's friends took occasion to laud it as a discussion on the part of the President to make the Presidential office the means of establishing race and social equality. The position taken by the South and the effect it had of widening the breach between the races in the South, is now a matter of his omy. It embarrassed the President to the extent that it made it almost impossible for him to make a single prominent appointment of a colored man to office North or South without provoking the most strenuous opposition of the Loyal White Republicans, as well as Democrats North and South. The matter had almost died out and was being forgotten, but Mr. Washington established his headquarters in N. Y. and assumed to become the mouthpiece of the President, giving out the impression that he was to be the dispenser of the colored patronage in case the President was re-elected, as he is now, and colored man who did not rally to his standard could get any recognition from the President at all. This he knew was repugnant to the colored man of the North, who were the real friends of the President. But finding that he had succeeded so well in that, after consulting his syndicate, he now upon the eve of the meeting of the National Convention starts another upheaval, so as to completely embarrass the President and his friends. Knowing that nothing can fan the prejudices of a certain class as quick as Negro equality, he strikes the most deadly blow at the President's aspirations. A well planned scheme is laid to fan the flames kindled by his dinner episode, he has splendidly executed a picture, which is being sent all over the country to do the work the enemies of the President. A beautiful picture is made of Lincoln, Prof. Washington and the President sitting at one end and the President at the other, hanging over the table and in the center, is the smiling face of Abraham Lincoln and just beneath the group in large letters is the word equality. This pretentious and sensational picture at such a time, is like a political firebrand. It can only be a effort to object a gruesome love for cheap notoriety or a studied political plan by the enemies of the President to make it appear that his nomination would be impractical or a plan on the part of the friends of the South to defeat the President at the polls if nominated. It is unfortunate that this industrial educator will not stick to his calling. How he can devote so much time to political meddling and other schemes is a puzzle to all well-thinking people. We think it great injustice to the President and to the interests of the colored people North and South. We do not know what they President and his friends may think of the matter, but Mr. Washington ought to be forced to explain so as to free the situation from unpleasant consequences. He should be requested to give his time to industrial education, and leave political work to men who are better acquainted with political matters, and who can cast their vote in their own state untrammelled.

Roosevelt Delegates.

Mr. A. P. Prioleau, who is contesting the seat of Mr. Geo. S. Legare from the First Congressional District of South Carolina, was re-nominated by the Republicans for Congress. Prioleau and W. F. Myers were elected delegates to the National Convention and instructed for Roosevelt.

Use Brush Instead of Pen.

The Japanese have no pens and no ink, but they make a very good shift with a paint brush.

The Next District Delegate.

The Personal Liberty League Indorses the Editor of The Bee.

Washington, D. C. Feb. 18, 1904.

Editor of the Washington Bee: Please allow me space in this week's issue of your paper that I may answer the several questions that have been asked me since the recent National Suffrage League Convention that was held in this city December 15 and 16, 1903. I have been asked time and again how the National Colored Personal Liberty League felt towards your candidacy for re-election as a delegate to the next National Convention to be held in the city of Chicago, June 21, 1904. As National Organizer of the Personal Liberty League I desire to make the following statement:—The above named organization is and always has been a friend to the Washington Bee and its editor, regardless of the petty differences that may have existed at certain times. We are today in favor of sending a man to the next National Convention that has been bold enough and courageous enough to defend the rights of the American Negro not only in the District of Columbia but in the entire country and a man who has never looked to the white man but has always demanded the respect from them that they give to one of their own race. The record that you have made through your paper in demanding a fair representation in the selection of jurors for

THE COMING ELECTION.

How the District will be Divided.

The District of Columbia will be divided into 22 districts as follows: First District.—All that part of the county of Washington outside the limits of the cities of Washington and Georgetown, lying east of Lincoln ave. and Bunker Hill road.

Second District.—All that part of the county of Washington, outside the cities of Washington and Georgetown, lying west of Lincoln ave. and Bunker Hill road.

Third District.—All that part of the city of Georgetown lying west of High Street.

Fourth District.—All that part of the city of Georgetown lying east of High Street.

Fifth District.—All that part of the city of Washington lying west of twenty-first street west.

Sixth District.—All that part of the city of Washington lying south of K street north, between 15th street west and twenty-first street west.

Seventh District.—All that part of the city of Washington lying between K street north and N street north, and between 15th street west and twenty-first street west, and north of N between fourteenth street west and twenty-first street west.



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON,
Who Will be Banquetted March 17 by the Bread and Butter Brigade—Dancy Terrell, Pinchback and Others—Plates \$1.50.

the courts of the District of Columbia speaks for itself and the bold effort that you made in trying to get a fair and impartial judiciary for the police court meets the hearty approval of all liberty loving citizens of the District of Columbia.

And for the above named reason I assure you of my individual support and also the support of the entire National Colored Personal Liberty League in the coming primary election believing as I do that the future prosperity of the Negro race depends upon the activity of the colored press and we need just such fearless and outspoken journals as the Washington Bee, the Boston Guardian, The Chicago Conceptor, The Indianapolis Freeman, and the Baltimore Lancer, to champion the Negro race when the democratic party is doing all in its power to take from them all the inalienable rights guaranteed them by the constitution and I now in conclusion ask you to assure you that you can rely on the united support of the National Colored Personal Liberty League when the proper time comes.

Very respectfully yours,
Chas. C. Conner,
National Organizer of
National Colored Personal Liberty League.

SPRING RACES.

Mr. S. T. Walton Making Great Preparation. Fine Horses to Come.

Mr. S. T. Walton, the Secretary of the Washington Jockey Club, and no doubt the best authority in the United States on fine horses, is making great preparations for the coming spring meeting, which will begin March 14th and continue to April 5th. Mr. Walton, during the short time he has been Secretary of the Jockey Club, has made friends from all parts of the country and especially in this city, where he is so popular among all classes. It is said that some of the finest horses that have ever been on the track will be seen at the coming spring meeting and all lovers of fine races should not fail to attend. The best of order is always preserved and the most prominent people will always be seen at these meetings.

American Model the Best.

The Bavarian government has decided to construct a large number of new locomotives upon the models of the American locomotives introduced by the railways of Bavaria four years ago.

Twenty-second District.—All that part of the city of Washington lying south of E street south and east of fourth street south.

SECRET ORDERS.

It is a well known fact that in Europe in different parts, the Supreme Council of the 33°, A. A. S. K. is the ruling body of Masonry and governing the symbolic degrees of Universal Masonry. In the U. S. there are three Supreme Councils that have exclusive charge of A. A. S. R. Universal F. & H. M. located as follows: One in London under the Supreme Council of the 33°, one at Philadelphia under the Supreme Council of 33° of Spain and one at Washington, D. C. under the Supreme Council of Sov. Grand-Inspectors General for North America. The last one was formed as a house of retreat for Masons who are unable to secure justice and fair play in their respective Masonic departments.

We are in possession of many valuable facts appertaining to Freemasonry, and in looking over the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the D. C., of the year 1899, we find that the committee on Jurisprudence reporting on the legitimacy of African Lodge, chartered by the Grand Lodge of England in 1784, that after going over the full and complete history of the origin and formation of Prince Hall Lodge and in the opinion of the committee the same has shown that those claiming to be regular Masons, who were made by Lodges chartered by Prince Hall Lodge, are illegitimate and have no grounds for such claim. The Grand lodge approved of the report and recommended that of the same were adopted. Now such being the fact, what right has one faction out of four (in the same jurisdiction) to claim itself to be regular and the rest irregular? It is a puzzle we would like to solve. The Bible tells us about picking the meat out of our brother's eye and failing to take the same out of our own eye.

In Mexico the admission of women to the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry is a well attested fact. Women have been seen clothed with regalia in a Mexican Masonic Lodge and been seated. From investigation some have been invested with degrees as high as the 14°, A. A. S. R.

Truth is the light and in the proper time truth being mighty will prevail. Sometimes times things are done by the underground system and the blame thrown on others. After a time the same being exposed, the guilty one is shown up. For light upon dark subjects read The Bee.

PULPIT AND PEW.

Reformers in Jamaica are endeavoring to better ethical conditions. Sixty-four per cent. of the children born on the island last year were illegitimate.

Australia has more churches per capita than any other country. She has 110 churches to every 100,000 people; England has 144, and Russia but 55.

Rev. Frank Novak, a Catholic priest of Pittsburg, has deserted the Church of Rome, and was on a recent Sunday ordained to the ministry of the Presbyterian church. He will have charge of the Slavonic church at Preston, a village just below McKee's Rocks.

Rev. Dr. Robert Collier, the famous New York divine, has no patience with the idea that the world is getting worse. "It is getting better all the time," says the cheerful old optimist. "If it were not so, it would mean that God had given over the world to evil, and it would hardly have been worth while for Him to have made it."

Rev. Frederick C. Smieleau, pastor of an Episcopal church in Carlisle, Pa., was married a few days ago to Miss Grace Parkinson, the ceremony being performed by Bishop Talbot. The bride and groom are both deaf and dumb. Mr. Smieleau is prominent on account of his remarkable work as a missionary to the 400 deaf and dumb communicants of the church who reside throughout the state, to whom he preaches in the sign language.

Rev. D. C. White recently became pastor of a church near Donegal, Pa., from which his predecessor resigned, his patience worn out by hoodlums who persisted in disturbing his services. Mr. White began a series of revival meetings, but the hoodlums made it impossible for him to continue. Then he borrowed a law book and bought a revolver. At the opening of his next meeting he laid the book and gun side by side on the pulpit, read the statute covering disturbances in church, and quietly informed his hearers that he expected them to keep quiet. The rowdies respected the 44-caliber revolver, and Mr. White has had no more trouble. But he carefully unlimbers his artillery every time before opening up the opening prayer.

Desertions from the Army.

During the official year the army lost 7 per cent. of its enlisted men by desertion, or enough to make six full regiments. Half as many more were dishonorably discharged.

Loss of Cattle in Texas.

The West Texas Stockman, an authority on live stock matters, in its issue to-day, says that the total number of cattle in the state will not exceed 7,000,000 head, of which 5,000,000 are range cattle, and that the depreciation in values during the past year represents a loss of at least \$21,000,000 to Texas cattlemen. Stockmen generally agree that this estimate of 7,000,000 cattle in the state is too high.

CROSS FOR A NEGRO.

Confederates to Honor a Veteran Who Was a Slave.

Served All Through the War Between the States and Became Chief Over 75 Colored Cooks in Southern Army.

Visitors to the Tennessee camp at the confederate reunions in the past few years will remember at the Memphis, Tenn., uniformed company's headquarters an old negro in gray uniform who stood faithful and jealous guard over everything pertaining to the men of that company. He wore the uniform, cap and badge of company A, confederate veterans. Visitors who go to the next reunion, which is to be held in Nashville in the summer, will see him again as affable, as efficient, as respectful, as young as ever, gray uniform, cap, badge and all, but this time he will wear in addition to these the confederate cross of honor which the women of the South have had made for all confederates who saw actual service in the stirring days of 1861-65.

This is the first time in the history of the southern camps that this honor has been accorded a negro, and the fact that there are a hundred or so white men ready to indorse his application is proof sufficient of his worthiness.

This gray-haired negro is Preston Roberts of Collierville, Tenn., sometimes camp servant and cook in the command of the confederate cavalry leader, Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest, and at present when on military duty, regimental servant for the First Tennessee regiment, confederate veterans. When the crosses of honor were first bestowed on the veterans of Memphis "Uncle Pete" felt somewhat slighted and forlorn, for he served through four years going out with his young masters when the first call for soldiers to defend the South was made. He pondered the matter over, and when eighteen additional



PRESTON ROBERTS.
(Colored Veteran Who is to Receive Southern Cross of Honor.)

crosses were awarded by the Daughters of the Confederacy the night of Lee's birthday anniversary, on Jan. 19, he asked permission to apply for one of them. Permission was not only readily given by the women, but the men present who knew "Uncle Pete"—and there are few who do not know him—immediately volunteered to furnish the indorsement which is necessary before any veteran is qualified to receive one. The application has been forwarded and when the next presentation of crosses is made the rebel negro will stand in line with the men by whose side he served and receive his bronze medal.

"Uncle Pete" is a typical ante-bellum dandy. He was born sixty odd years ago near Collierville, about twenty miles from Memphis, and was body servant to his master, S. H. Roberts.

When the call for soldiers came in 1861 "Uncle Pete" enlisted with his young master, F. T. Scott, in Capt. Ed Porter's company, which was raised in Somerville, and which was part of Gen. Van Dorn's command. He followed the fortunes of this command until the gallant Van Dorn was killed at the battle of Spring Hill about two years later. Then he followed his master into Gen. Forrest's command. Here he was not a regularly enlisted soldier, but, to use his own expression, was "one of the most important men in the army," having under his control seventy-five negro cooks, with money and authority to buy whatever was needed for his mess, and also authority to "raise" the rations anyway, whether they could be bought or not.

Mean Way of Getting Rich.

New Jersey saloon keepers have hit upon a heartless way of adding to their profits. In Bayonne it has been shown that steady patrons of some of the saloons have had their lives insured by the proprietors; then they are kept full of stimulants, and in a short time end their career. In many cases the insurance was effected without the knowledge of the insured.

Cheap Waterproof Cloaks.

A waterproof cloak costs about 20 cents in Japan. It is made of oiled paper, and will last one year with ordinary usage. They are worn chiefly by coolies who draw handcarts in the streets.



The Say

Negro democrats know how to lie after they have had a change of heart.

They are democrats for revenue only.

Will it be possible for the Negro to unite.

Colored orators on Washington's birthday must speak to suit the school authorities.

They know the persons to select. They are good men, however, but they never express their convictions.

If there were no opposition or gains to the theory of the Wizard, there would be nothing for the subsidized press to say.

How many paid agents are there for Tuskegee?

Major Dick is the coming man in Ohio.

Editor Fortune can speak if he makes up his mind.

He struck from the shoulder last week.

Recorder J. C. Dancy should not believe all he hears.

Judge Pritchard was complimented for his fairness in the Post office conspiracy case.

It is no crime to change your mind if you desire to do so.

It is best to speak the truth always.

There are democrats in this country who believe in Bryan.

Who will bet on the next presidential election?

Let us live in hope for better days.

The Bee is the peoples' paper and a common pure American citizen.

No color about it.

It is a record of events and it does not deal in dark ages.

If you do not think as other people think you must necessarily be a democrat.

True friendship is always found in those who are honest.

From nothing, nothing comes. How can you expect to get anything from a Negro democrat?

Be honest and then you will succeed.

Think kindly of those who speak well of you, and watch those who flatter you.

How much have the depositors realized from the suits against the Capital Savings Bank.

Some people do acts for which they are sorry.

It is always best to consider wisely before you act.

Strange that the complainants in Capital Savings Bank did not know that.

Do you wish a defender of your rights? Read The Bee.

If Prof. Washington attempts to feed all the papers which defend him, it will break up Tuskegee.

Every so-called big Negro who writes an article in the interest of Tuskegee gets an invitation to spend the summer.

Strange that Cooper has not been invited.

How many papers are there edited in the interest of Tuskegee?

The Pen and Pencil club is a great institution.

Wafcan's colored men unite on questions which are to their interest.

Will the Negro ever be able to unite in politics?

They would succeed better if they would unite.

The Suffrage convention will meet in Chicago.

Some people don't know their friends.

All should be charitable at any rate. The District delegates will be elected in April.

NERVE AND REVOLVER.

This Indiana Woman Had Both and Was Not Daunted by the Bluff of a Tramp.

At a crossroads in Gravel Creek, some eight miles south of Nashville, Ind., is a country store kept by Alexander Shipley. One evening last week Mr. Shipley was absent, leaving his wife in charge. Two young men of the neighborhood were seated near the stove and Mrs. Shipley was arranging some glassware behind the counter, when a rough-looking stranger, carrying a cane, entered the door, and, approaching Mrs. Shipley, begged for a bite to eat, saying he had been in the woods all day and was hungry. Mrs. Shipley complied with his request.



ALONE WITH THE TRAMP.

quest and while he was eating she continued her work with the glassware. Suddenly the stranger whipped out an ugly-looking revolver, and, pointing the weapon at Mrs. Shipley, remarked: "Give me the money in the till." Upon hearing this the two young men ran out, leaving the woman alone with the tramp. Mrs. Shipley answered the would-be robber: "All right," and walked toward the money till, the tramp following several steps behind. She reached in as if for the money, but her hand reappeared grasping a revolver, with which she began shooting at the tramp. Mrs. Shipley continuing to shoot in his direction as long as her revolver would respond, but failing to send a bullet home.

After placing her own weapon in the till she picked up the revolver dropped by the tramp, only to find every chamber empty. Then she went back to her work as if nothing had happened.

It was some little time before the farmers gathered and offered to pursue the tramp, but Mrs. Shipley said he would long remember his escape from her, and that there was no danger of a return by him. Her husband, upon being made acquainted with the circumstances, reported that he met a stranger several miles distant as he was returning home, still walking rapidly.

CURE FOR INEBRIETY.

Tried with Good Results on a Dissipated Young Fellow by a Pittsburg Magistrate.

Magistrate Joseph H. Vichestain, says the Pittsburg Dispatch, is a wise man, who would have had Solomon eclipsed 40 ways had the late deceased been so fortunate as to have been a resident of Pittsburg. Magistrate Vichestain has been grievously troubled for the past year by a young man of good family who persisted in clinging to the cup that cheers until the patrol wagon and a cell became a part of his weekly routine. Magistrate Joe tried every means at his command to save the youth, but his efforts were fruitless.

About five weeks ago Vichestain was in the South Side station when his intoxicated friend was carried in in his usual condition. The magistrate was disgusted, and at the same time sorrowful. A few minutes later a raving maniac was brought in between two burly policemen and was placed in a padded cell. This gave Joe an idea. He had his inebriated friend placed in the same apartment with the maniac, and then had both watched closely. The crazy one started the sleeping drunk with the assertion that he was Croesus and that, in view of their friendship, he would convert him into J. Pierpont Morgan and would present him with \$400,000.



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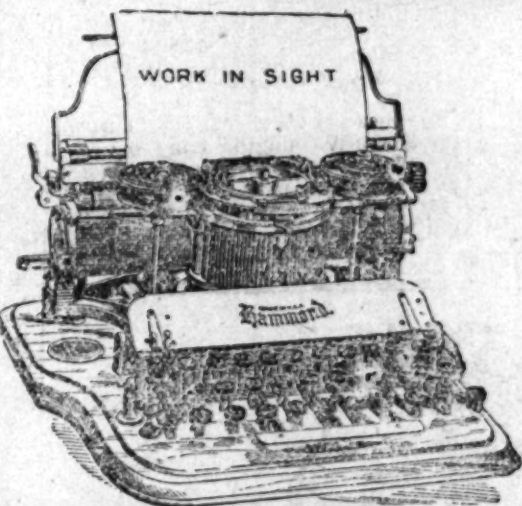
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Professional Opinion.

Softleigh—I say, doctor, do you—aw—believe that liquor really affects a man's brain?

Physician—Yes, if he has any. Otherwise it affects his legs.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Lights.

"Well, I suppose Rockefeller lives according to his lights."

"I don't know. Sometimes I think other people's lights have more to do with it."—D

FISH STORY WITH SEVERAL THRILLS

It Tells of an Eagle That Was Drowned, a Salmon That Was Boiled and a Liar Who Has No Equal.

REFILLING his pipe, the old trapper said to a New York Herald reporter: "You know, boy, I allus carry that old gun o' mine, wherever I goes. As I wuz a sayin', I wuz out fishin' fer bass, when lookin' up into the sky—I allus keeps an eye out fer squalls—I sees a bald headed eagle swoopin' down right fer me. Seizin' Old Ben, I aimed straight fer the critter's heart! Bang! went the old gun! An' that air eagle wuz hit! Down inter the water he flopped. I wuz jist about ter pull over ter git him, when one of the fish lines I had overboard commenced to run out. I tuk hold on it an' tried to pull in. But nary an inch could I budge it. 'T's a salmon,' says I. And makin' the line fast to an eye bolt forrad I settled down for a good smoke.

"I know salmon! An' the only way is to let them pull an' tug till they gits tired; then you kin yank them in.



THINGS WERE GETTING WARM.

Suddenly the boat began to move; the air salmon wuz a pullin' the boat; jest at that air moment, I heerd a noise behind me; I looked an' there wuz that eagle a risin' outen the water; my hair stood on end, fer a wounded bald eagle is wuss than a grizzly.

"I grabs 'Old Ben' agin, but jist as I wuz about to take aim, the doggone boat took a sudden plunge ahead, and flat I fell inter the bottom and overboard goes the old gun. I cud have cried, but there want any time, fer that eagle war a comin' fer me, lickety split.

"He war only usin' one wing; my shot hed bruk the other. Things wuz a gittin' mighty warm; thet salmon wuz a pullin' me through the water like a locomotive.

"The sweat wuz a bubblin' on my forehead, fer thet eagle wuz only a few feet back! Closer and closer he came. I cud hear him breathin', cud hear the wind a whistlin' through his pin feathers. Boys, it war terrible! Somethin' must be did. I did it. I tore off my moccasins, my pants, my

WOMEN FIGHT A BEAR.

Vicious Animal Is Killed After Hand-to-Hand Encounter Lasting Several Minutes.

Three Christine (Cal.) women, Mrs. E. H. Irish, and Misses Willie Moore and Minnie Boyd, had a hard fight with a bear the other afternoon, and came out proudly victorious.

The bear, the largest of his kind probably ever killed in Mendocino county, had been making inroads on the flocks in the vicinity of Christine, and a trap had been set for him. The ladies in question were out for a stroll, Mrs. Irish being armed with a 32-caliber Winchester. They found the animal had been trapped. In his rage he had eaten through a side of the trap, and his head and shoulders were free of the cage. Fearing that he would escape, Mrs. Irish took aim and fired. The charge only infuriated the beast, however, and matters began to look serious for the ladies. There were no men near at hand, so it fell upon them to protect themselves. One of the ladies blocked



MRS. IRISH TOOK AIM.

the side of the trap that the bear had torn down. Two of them engaged the attention of Bruin at the strong side of the cage, while Mrs. Irish fired the fifth bullet. This lodged in the animal's heart. Mrs. Irish retains the skin as a memento.

Starvation Wages in Spain. Farm laborers in Spain get \$1.50 a week. Women employed in vineyards get 15 cents for ten hours' work.

coat, all my clothes, throwin' each of them afore said articles at that voracious 'bald head,' hopin' to gain a little time. But, boys, we wuz goin' so fast thet the wind tore 'em out of my hand afore ye cud say 'Jack Robbison.'

"To the 'pelt' stood I, jist as water made me. The wind chilled me to the marrow, and I soon began to feel numb by all over.

"By the Great Horn Toot! I war freezin' to death! What should I do! Jump overboard! No! That eagle would git me! Stay where I was! No, I'd freeze to death. Suddenly the eagle tuk a spurt and got its nose over the starn! I makes a quick lep an' caught under the starn seat and held me fast. Thar I wuz, striped naked, with all my body over the back of the boat a-holdin' on to thet eagle.

"He wuz a-flyin', the boat wuz a-flyin', and I wuz half flyin', half floatin' and darned near hull frust! I cudn't git one or tother. Soon I hear the roar of the falls. I felt my time had come, fer thatt salmon wuz makin' dead fer 'em! We would all drown tergether! Nearer an' nearer sounded the roar! I could see the eddies and rapids as we rushed through them! I expected every moment to be dashed agin a rock! When suddenly thet air boat began to jump upward! And the bird and I fell downards. I felt me ankles crack, but me trusty toes held on.

"The eagle's body was under the water thet came pourin' down on us, exceptin' his mouth, which was open, gaspin' fer breath! Higher and higher we went, till suddenly we war in smooth water again, still a goin' at top speed.

"Boys, thet air salmon hed clim them air falls.

"My body stood out over the end of thet boat as stiff as a flagpole. Wuz I to die this way? Suddenly I begins to feel warmer! I thought sure I war freezin' fer good, 'cause you allus feel warmer when you're about to friz. It kept gittin' hotter and hotter! Sez I, 'I'm dead an' nearin' to'ther place.' The heat limbered me up. I pulled myself back into the boat, still holdin' on to thet eagle. I expected him to make a fight, but nary fight—he war dead. Its mouth bein' open as we wuz towed up them falls it got drowned.

"Suddenly somethin' red hot landed on my back. The water was a blizin' an' a b'llin all around me. I knew then I wuz dead and in torment. I looked round 'spectin' to see some ole friends, and what do you think? I wuzn't in hell 'tall! It war jist a forest fire, but, boys, it saved my carcass, fer jist at this time the boat hed stopped a movin'.

"I pulled in the line, an' there wuz a salmon, seven feet three and a half inches long, dead as a door nail! The water had got so hot from the fire, and he goin' so fast before he could turn 'round and git back he had b'llied to a turn.

"My pipe's out—gimme a match!"

GHOST REVEALS CASH.

Portion of New Jersey Miser's Hoard Discovered by Aid of a Supernatural Visitor.

When William Berlin, an eccentric old miser, residing at Little Silver, N. J., died a few years ago a search was made for the money he was known to possess, but not a penny could be found.

William Wainwright, however, could not give up the hope of finding the money



FOUND HIT IN BILLS.

and obtained permission from Joseph V. Holmes, owner of the house, to tear it down. Every stick of timber was carefully examined as it was rased. No money was found, but Wainwright felt sure it was somewhere about the place.

He says that a few nights ago he had a dream, in which the ghost of Berlin led him to the ruins of the old house and pointed out to him under the chimney a tin spectacle case.

When Wainwright awoke in the morning his dream was still vivid, and he dressed in a hurry, went to the spot and found the spectacle case in the place pointed out by the miser's ghost. He opened it and \$187 in bills fell out. Wainwright is not yet satisfied and believes he will have more dreams.

Champion Eight-Year-Old.

A German medical paper reports that at a school inspection in Brandenburg an eight-year-old boy was presented who weighs 126 pounds and stands five feet three and one-half inches. The young prodigy is physically and mentally well developed.

PROFANEST OF PARROTS.

Widow of Old Sailor Says It Would Seem Like Home Again to Have the Bird Around.

"Tootsie," the profane parrot of Philadelphia, Pa., must go. He threatens to ruin the characters of two of his green and yellow brothers whose morals have hitherto been above suspicion.

"Tootsie" is to be sold. He belongs to Richard M. Mills, of Huntington street, who advertises his "only reason for selling is that the bird swears in his vocabulary."

"Tootsie" came into Mr. Mills' possession under a guarantee that he did not swear. Within 24 hours he had broken the guarantee and one of the com-



"TWOULD SEEM LIKE HOME."

mandments, besides shocking two other parrots belonging to the Mills family, neither of whom had ever said anything more wicked than "Polly wants a cracker."

"Tootsie's" evil ways are due to his early environment. Before he came to the Mills mansion he had lived in a cafe, whose habitués had found him to be an excellent substitute for a phonograph in the matter of reproducing profanity. His memory was unimpaired when he became a member of the Mills household.

"Tootsie" refused to be reformed. When the little Mills threw water on him for swearing he swore at them for doing it. On New Year's day not an oath passed his beak and it was thought he had turned over a new leaf, but the next morning he returned to his old ways with increasing vigor.

"Tootsie's" companions at first only listened to him in amazement, but a few days ago one of them marred a spotless record by exclaiming, "Damn it!" That settled "Tootsie's" fate, and the advertisement appeared.

To-day's visitors included a widow, who explained that her late husband had been a seafaring man who was given to using questionable language. "It would seem like home again to have the dear bird around," she said.

"Tootsie's" vocabulary contains such gems as, "Go to blazes and shut the door," "Come up and have a drink, every dashed one of you," and "Blast your eyes, you son of a sea cook." Other favorite expressions can be expressed only by dashes and asterisks.

WED IN DRUG STORE.

Proprietor Balks When Asked to Perform the Ceremony, But Finds Justice for the Lovers.

Cupid has captured a drug store in Waukegan, Ill., and proposes to use it in contracting marriages vows.

For years the corner drug store has been used to meet all kinds of wants, but no one ever heard of a man going in among the big and little bottles of many colors to have the apothecary prescribe the words that bind two hearts in one.

John Fry, leading Margaret Brownell, sought Proprietor Hallstein in his Wash-



JUDGE MURRY OFFICIATED.

ington street pharmacy recently. Fry broached the subject, bluntly saying that as the apothecary accommodated people in selling stamps, money orders, kept a public telephone and a directory, received lost articles, bound up bruised people, and rubbed pains with arnica, he did not know why he could not marry a man if he was asked to.

The good natured pillmaker assured the couple that the law did not empower him to perform a marriage ceremony, but the whole drug store was theirs, and if they would be seated for a moment he would send out for a justice. It required but a few moments to find Judge Murry and less time for that functionary to say the words that "bound" stronger than any bandage the druggist kept in stock.

Pearls in Mussel Shells. Pearls are sometimes found in mussel shells.

MAD CLEAR THROUGH.

No More "Dates" for This Indignant Chicago Husband.

He Refused Hereafter to Wait for His Wife Among State Street Moshers—How the Jolt Came Which Disgusted Him.

Williams is a Chicago man whose wife has just called him up on the phone and asked him to meet her and go shopping. His reply has been strenuous and to the point.

"Not in 1210 years," it was. "I'll go shopping with you, all right, and carry your bundles and pay your bills, but when you ask me to meet you in front of one of the stores on State street I am no longer the dutiful husband to whom his wife's wish is a law. I am a stern helpmeet, and I put my foot down. If you are desirous of my company on your price-asking tour, it's for you to illumine my office with your presence. You meet me here and we'll go hence together."

Then he turned to me, hanging up the receiver.

"State street during the shopping hours, you know, is the abode of that human cousin of the polecat, the male flirt. I had read of this, but never thought of it when Mrs. Williams asked me the other day to make a tryst with her at one of the big dry goods arks along the east side of that esplanade. Would that I had not forgotten the fact!"

"She was to meet me at 2:30. Knowing her, I got there way ahead of time—3:15, for, having made it 2:30, I knew she would be there promptly at 3:25. Before the store I took my stand and prepared to wait."

"For a few minutes it was not tedious. The passing crowds, the freaks of femininity I saw, and some who were not freaks, were interesting. I seldom ever get on State street at that time of day and I enjoyed the sights, thinking of how much money was being circulated by this never-ending wave of womanhood, and all that sort of stuff. But in a little while the situation began to grow tiresome."

"Just as I had figured out a nice lecture to give her on the importance of punctuality I saw one of these male flirts coming down the street. I was onto him in a minute. The self-satisfied air, the waxed mustache, and the leer at every woman who passed him made me want to walk out and trip him up. Soon I saw another, and then another, and probably a half dozen passed along there. One took his stand on the opposite sidewalk and leered across the street. It made me, as it would any self-respecting man, sick."

"And then, talk about your jolts! A couple of women came along at one of whom I had seen the most obnoxious of these male flirts wink as he had passed her on the sidewalk. The women were talking about him."

"It's simply disgusting," said one of them. "This street is getting so that I hate to come down here alone. I've seen that man half a dozen times today, and there are others who make this their regular stamping grounds. There's one across the street, and look! (sinking her voice to a whisper, which I nevertheless overheard), 'there's another. He's been here for half an hour.'"

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KILLED HIS ONCEIT.

Confession of a Man Who Thought He Would Do Lots of Brave Things, But Didn't.

"Yes," admitted the big traveling man to a Chicago Inter Ocean reporter, "I was one of the victims in that Iowa train robbery. And I want to tell you, fellows, there's no other experience so well calculated to take the conceit out of a man. I frequently had expressed a desire to encounter some of these modern bandits. I'd show them what it was to go up against a good, game man, and I'd put at least two or three of them out of business."

"Well, three miles out from Duck Center they held us up. Before I suspect-



FLEW AT THE ROBBERS.

ed trouble there was a big fellow with a 16-inch gun coming down the aisle. When he thundered 'Hands up!' I came pretty near dislocating my shoulders. Two other men followed the chap with the gun and took up the 'collection.' I surrendered everything, even to my elegant self-acting revolver, and never entered a protest.

"Right behind me sat a little old maid with corkscrew curls. They took a pocketbook from her lap, but when they went to appropriate a jewel case she flew up like a hen defending her chickens. That watch, she said, was for her niece who was going to be married. She had raked and scraped to buy it, and no robbers were going to take it from her. With an unexpected movement she knocked the revolver against the roof of the car, and was clawing the robber like a wildcat. They forced her to her seat, and when the big fellow had recovered his gun he stood laughing."

"Keep your watch, old girl," he said, 'and here's a little trinket to put with it,' and he tossed her a handsome pin. 'If any of these men had your grit, we'd never got away with this job after you'd disarmed us.'"

"And he was right about it."

HORSE KNEW ROUTE.

And Therefore the Old Dairyman's Substitute Was Able to Deliver Milk Without a Break.

"Horses are close observers and learn rapidly," remarked a downtown man to a Washington Post reporter, "and I had my attention strongly attracted to the fact recently. It came about in rather a pathetic way, too. For many years we have patronized one dairyman, and for equally many years the man has driven an old frame of a horse. While the animal was not fast, he was faithful. One day last week the poor old milkman was suddenly stricken ill while serving his customers and rendered helpless. The horse seemed to understand the awful situation, so he faithfully pulled his



master home. Naturally we missed the milkman and did not understand his absence until a few days later when a strange dairyman stopped in front of the house. He inquired if the old man, our previous milkman—had been delivering milk at my place. I told him that he had, and inquired what the trouble was. Then he told the story, and how even at that time he was lying dangerously ill. 'And you see,' he went on to explain, 'I don't want the poor old fellow to lose his trade, and all I have to depend on is this old horse. He has been my main reliance. He knows the route, and every time he stops in front of a house I jump out. When he stopped here I thought you must be one of the old man's customers, too. That old horse isn't much to look at, but he's got a head full of sense, and so far I haven't struck a wrong horse.'"

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MORE LOVE STORIES.

Married in Haste, Now Trying to Win Ma's Blessing.

Parental Forgiveness Is Sometimes Hard to Get After an Elopement—Told Mama by Telephone—Long-Distance Courtship.

The parental blessing is an object much sought by certain victims of Cupid who have been beguiled into acting without maternal and paternal consent.

There are now crossing the Atlantic two persons who are sailing to France to obtain this last requisite to domestic happiness. They are Miss Clara MacComb, of Larchmont, and Ferdinand Despecher, the New York and Paris banker.

Their marriage was a runaway match. It looks now as if more would be heard of it in a short time. The mother of the bridegroom threatened to disinherit him if he married against her wishes, and her wish was not that he should marry an American. She tried to prevent this particular wedding and so did the father.

The efforts of the parents were unsuccessful, and for that reason the bride and bridegroom are on their way to France to see if the parental forgiveness cannot be secured.

Despecher came to this country about six months ago with a delegation of French bankers who wanted to study the American financial methods. They returned some time ago. He had met Miss MacComb at a summer party and told his friends that he wanted to stay here some time to finish up a few deals. One of the things he finished was his courtship.

He is a tall, handsome young man of fine education, and he won the consent of Miss MacComb early in November. A short time later his mother and her father heard of the affair and became angry at their children for proposing to make such an alliance. Mrs. Despecher wrote threateningly to



STAKED HIM WITH \$300.

her son, and Mr. MacComb took the first boat that left Paris, where he had been on business.

Two young people of Brooklyn have been hunting for the same article of parental forgiveness, with prospects of having it extended to them. Sterling Tomes, aged 18 years, and Miss Laura Williams, aged 17, a school girl, ran away to be married without taking the trouble to find out what their parents thought about the matter.

Miss Williams left home ostensibly to go to dancing school. That was the last time that Mrs. Williams saw Miss Laura Williams. The next morning the mother was called to the telephone and was told the startling news that it was her daughter at the other end of the wire, but that she was no longer Miss Laura Williams. It was Mrs. Sterling Tomes.

The two had slipped away to New Jersey, where they had been married. In Fairfield, Ia., another boy and girl couple ran away for a wedding that they feared they could not have at home. Roy Price, the son of a wealthy farmer near Libertyville, and Miss Ella Cleasby were the young people.

The son told his father that he intended to seek his fortune farther west, and the father generously provided him with \$300 to use until he had started the said fortune on its way.

With this money the boy, who is only 18, carried out his matrimonial plans.

A romance that had its beginning in Philadelphia two years ago recently ended in Honolulu with the marriage of Dr. Ralph Gardiner Curtis and Miss Jane Mae Blair, both of whom are well known in that city. Miss Blair is the daughter of Henry W. Blair, a prominent business man of Syracuse.

Much against the will of her parents Miss Blair deserted society in Syracuse and New York and went on the stage. It was while a show girl in "Miss Bob White," playing at the Chestnut street theater, Philadelphia, that she met Dr. Curtis. He pressed his suit and was accepted.

A lovers' quarrel ensued and Dr. Curtis went to the Hawaiian islands, where he soon built up a lucrative practice. Miss Blair spent the last summer at Saratoga and Asbury Park, where she was a recognized belle, with many suitors for her hand.

Early in November, after a long silence, she received a letter from Dr. Curtis. It said:

"Let's forget our little quarrel. I love you more than ever. Won't you come and be my wife?"

A few letters passed between them, and then Miss Blair left New York alone and sailed from San Francisco for Honolulu.

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TOOK HER REVENGE.

Now a Paris Woman Who Was Wronged Got Even with the Officers Who Dispossessed Her.

When woman makes up her mind to be revenged she is not often cheated out of it, as was shown by a neat trick played on the Parisian police by a daring French woman not long ago. She would not pay her rent, but, being of a violent disposition, it was not an easy matter to get rid of her. So when the bailiff called, he was careful to take a police commissary with him. The woman, however, was wreathed in smiles when she opened the door to the two officials, and she assisted them with the utmost amiability in drawing up an in-



"YOU ARE MY PRISONERS."

ventory of her furniture, with the view of an eventual sale at public auction. When the business was completed she conducted the bailiff and the police officer to the front door, but the latter was locked.

"Gentlemen," the woman remarked, with a smile, "you are my prisoners. You have been so courteous and considerate that I should be loath to lose your company. Therefore, I have locked the front door and thrown the key out of the window. This flat is on the fourth floor. The door is an exceptionally strong one, and your joint efforts would be powerless to force it open. The next door flat and that on the floor beneath are both unoccupied. Consequently, it would be idle to expect assistance from anyone in the house. The only thing for you to do is to holla out of the window down into the street, and make yourselves a laughing stock."

The woman then sat down complacently and waited. The bailiff and the police officer, convinced that she had a key of the front door in her possession, reasoned with her for a long time, but in vain. Some four hours of captivity elapsed before they could make up their minds to shout and gesticulate at the window. When they did so a crowd rapidly collected in the street. Every one thought a crime had been committed. People who knew were already relating with circumstantial detail how an elderly woman had been murdered in the fourth floor flat. Policemen arrived and, striding through the crowd, boldly walked upstairs, where, with the aid of a locksmith, they opened the door and found themselves face to face with their own chief. The latter, with the bailiff, made off in a cab as hurriedly and as inconspicuously as he could manage it.

BAPTISM OF A CAT.

Sacriligious Ceremony Performed on Board of a French War Vessel at Constantinople.

Pierre Loti, the well-known French novelist, who is likewise commander of the French warship Vulture (Vulture), recently performed an imposing ceremony on board his ship. News comes to the New York World from Stamboul



"IN THE NAME OF CATS."

that in the presence of a distinguished assemblage he solemnly baptized a cat. An altar to Odin was set up in the dining-saloon and the cat was taken there in a basket.

The priest of Odin then appeared, clad in white. A glare of electric light made the scene most impressive. He offered a horn to the god-mother, who sounded a note on it, which caused the cat to spring from its basket. Then it was baptized according to the Scandinavian rites. Verses composed by Loti for the occasion being recited in the service.

"In the name of cats," chanted the priest, "I baptize thee Belkes, and thou shalt know, I hope, the honor that thy name confers upon thee."

Belkes signifies "handsome girl." The cat was given the following command: "Be implacable to rats, gentle to humans and preserve the opalescent splendor of thine eyes. Above all be a cat and under our hands show how thou must curve thy dorsal spine."

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PRIDE TOOK TUMBLE.

Why Mr. Burner Looks Blue and Dejected These Days.

His Record as the Boss Domestic Fireman Wrecked in a Single Night by a Bit of Inexcusable Carelessness.

This story is told by the Indianapolis Sentinel of an Irvington suburbanite, Burner by name, who prides himself a great deal on his systematic and scientific methods of caring for his furnace fire. He is a model of method and precision from in the early fall, when he lays in a supply of coke sufficient to last all winter, until late in the spring when he lets the fire flicker out. All of his friends and neighbors look upon him as an authority on firing, and all his neighbors' wives use him as an exemplar for their own less careful husbands. The secret of his success, as he often says, is common sense and attention to detail. It is only a matter of supplying fuel, regulating drafts and removing the ashes. Sitting in his cozy parlor, the coldest night of this week, he expounded his theories on heating to three young women, cousins of his wife, who had come to visit them. In contemplation of the shortcomings of some men who tried to run furnaces he really waxed eloquent over his own record, and his heart swelled with pride, which was shared by his wife, when he said that there had not been a day or a night this winter when the house was not comfortable. The young ladies were visibly impressed.

At the usual hour he went to the basement, fired up and adjusted things for the night, and a couple of hours later they retired. The house certainly was warm, and the young folks were heard comparing notes across the hallway on the delightfulness of it. Burner smiled even in his sleep with the joy of their appreciation.

But about four in the morning, when the world seems coldest, darkest and



LOOKED AT THE REGISTER.

dreariest, Burner awoke with a start. He thought he heard a feminine voice inquire if some one was warm, and then heard the patter of bare feet in the hall. He stretched himself with a shiver that shook the bed. "Gee whiz," he muttered, "I must have forgotten to open my register." With a mighty effort of will and not much else he

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Richard Himself Again.

Since the *New York Age* has been a personal organ of Booker Washington the *Bee* has seldom been able to find anything on the editorial page of the *Age* to endorse. There was a time when Tim Fortune's was the strongest, clearest, manliest voice heard in the advocacy of equal and identical manhood rights. But since he has been an attendant at the altars where incense is burned in adoration of the Tuskegee, he has lost much of his enthusiasm, vigor and purpose in the cause of his race's civic development. Mr. Fortune may not be conscious of it, but it is a fact none the less. It is not possible to follow a man who believes that political rights, voting and holding office are matters of secondary importance and at the same time keep unimpaired a faith in such things as matters of primary importance. In the leading editorial of last week's *Age* Mr. Fortune showed something of his old time force, determination and independence. He discussed the growth of negro democracy in northern municipalities, the Indianola postoffice affair, and the appointment of the rebel Wright as Governor-General of the Philippines, in a way that meets the *Bee's* views in almost every particular. If the *Bee*, the *Guardian*, the *Conservator* and a few other organs that are contending for complete manhood rights for the Negro, had said what Mr. Fortune said last week in the *Age*, Mr. Fortune would have upbraided them as Democrats and as enemies of the administration. Be that as it may, we endorse the spirit of the editorial referred to. The *Bee* has repeatedly called attention to the fact that the Republican party was losing its black allies in Chicago, New York and Boston. And we have assigned as a principal cause of this loss the political ascendancy of Booker Washington as an arbiter of the appointment of colored men to office. Our advice has not been heeded, but our predictions have come true. Now comes along the editor of the *Age*, who sees the same symptoms but assigns a different cause. But, Mr. Washington regards these matters which are causing Mr. Fortune so much concern as only of secondary importance. So Mr. Washington's estimate and the treatment of colored men by Republicans in Ohio, New York and Boston are in substantial agreement. As to the appointment of Luke Wright, the assistant to the Governor-Generalship of the Philippines, the *Bee* and the *Age* agree at every point. No man who consecrated his young manhood and sword to the enslavement of a dark race should have another dark race committed to his authority. We do not believe that it is possible for Luke Wright to be just to the Filipino. Now as to the Indianola postoffice matter, it was the opinion of the late James H. Hill, who was for a third of a century a leader of his people in Mississippi, without reproach, that, but for the appointment of one Edgar Wilson, a Democrat, as referee in Mississippi, and the turning down of the regular republican organization, there would have been no Indianola incident.

The appointment of Wilson as referee encouraged the belief on the part of numerous Democrats of the Wilson stripe, that all Republicans were to be displaced by Democrats. Hence they rose up and demanded that Mrs. Cox resign. Not only did Mr. Hill iterate and reiterate this opinion, but there are numerous Mississippians who express the same opinion. Now, who is responsible for the appointment of this Democrat, Wilson, as referee in Mississippi? Who called the attention of the President to him? Who represented to the President that the republican organization in Mississippi was so corrupt that it could not be trusted to recommend a person to fill federal offices? It has been asserted over and over that Pecker Washington recommended Wilson as referee of Federal patronage in Mississippi, and it has never been denied. This is not true, then the Indianola incident is properly chargeable to the political leadership of Booker Washington. The next time Mr. Fortune writes about these matters we trust that he will have the light that this article is designed to give him. We would also suggest that he publish in the *Age* that letter of a few years back advising the division of the colored vote in Alabama.

Took French Leave.

Mr. Charles Alexander passed through the city last week on his way to Boston to assume control of the Bookerite organ in that city. Mr. Alexander has been connected with the Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio. Prior to that he was employed at the Tuskegee Institute. But one day he went to the village of Tuskegee to make some needed purchases, and requested that they be delivered to him at the institute. In due course of business they were sent, and the package containing the purchases was marked "Alexander." Mr. Alexander requested the porter to inform the merchant from whom the purchases were made that hereafter when packages were sent to him, if he could not say "Mr. Alexander to simply address him as Charley." The message was delivered, and a party was organized to lynch Mr. Alexander, but a compromise was reached by which he was to leave Tuskegee in a very few hours. And he left. This is a signal illustration of the potentiality of the influence of Mr. Booker T. Washington for the promotion of good-will, mutual respect and courtesy between the races in Alabama.

POINTS ABOUT PEOPLE.

Gov. Beckham, of Kentucky, is the first chief executive of that state to succeed himself in 92 years.
Mr. Asquith is an expert amateur mechanic, and for some years rode a bicycle of his own making.
Harry Zeigler, a resident of Philadelphia and a member of the life-guard at Atlantic City, saved 52 lives during six weeks of the season at that resort.
Dr. J. W. Swan, the inventor of the incandescent electric light, has just passed his seventy-fifth birthday. It is a generation since he first exhibited the light that has come into such universal use.
While serving his second term in congress Speaker Cannon was driving on a muddy road in March, after the adjournment of the short session, when he met a township road supervisor, who said: "Joe, do they dock you when you are away from congress?" "No, my wages run on just the same," said Uncle Joe. "The township doesn't pay people when they don't work," said the farmer. "I expect it would be better to dock us when we do work," replied Uncle Joe gravely.
There are a number of doubles in the national house of representatives, and many amusing mistakes arise as a consequence. Here are some of the Dromios: Croft, of South Carolina, and Badger, of Ohio; Thayer, of Massachusetts, and Butler, of Pennsylvania; Robertson, of Arkansas, and Watson, of Indiana; Smith, of Texas, and Hopkins, of Kentucky; Lewis, of Georgia, and Miller, of Kansas; Payne, of New York, who has shaved off his whiskers, is often taken for ex-Speaker Henderson, although the latter has not been in Washington since the Fifty-seventh congress adjourned.

A Yawn Leads to Death.

While indulging in a prolonged yawn, Herbert McGivney, of Brandon, N. Y., threw up his arms. One of his hands struck and knocked down a loaded shotgun which was hanging on the wall. The fall caused the discharge of the gun, and the contents entered McGivney's neck, killing him instantly.

FOR MINISTER AND LAYMAN.

The archbishop of York and the archbishop of Canterbury celebrated their silver weddings on the same day recently.

The American investment in religious and educational institutions in Turkey is \$6,500,000, and more than \$20,000,000 has been spent in mission work covering nearly a century.

Rev. G. F. Brisco, a clergyman of St. Benet's Kentish Town, England, receives but a pittance for his services, and in order to obtain means whereby he might maintain the dignity of his position he was obliged to take in washing and dishing. For pursuing these unclerical occupations he has been censured by his ecclesiastical superiors.

Rev. James E. Edwards, a Baptist preacher of Owensville, Gibson county, Ind., and one of the best story-tellers in the Hoosier state, is about to publish a book of his jokes and original sayings. This will be in the nature of a second edition, for the reverend gentleman published a similar collection some years ago. Mr. Edwards is one of the most popular clergymen in Owensville.

When Emma Booth married Frederick St. George Latour in Calcutta, she adopted the clothes and the manner of life of the native women, and barefooted, "dipping her unaccustomed fingers in the curry dish," she begged her way through the streets. Latour, then a worker in the Salvation Army, had adopted the same plan. And when they were married, it was in the way of religious teachers, he appearing as a barefooted, turbaned, salico-robed mendicant with his begging bowl.

Ten thousand persons living in the Fourth and Seventh wards of New York city have signed a pledge not to drink intoxicating liquors for a specified time as the result of a Catholic mission down there. It is considered by the experts the most remarkable thing that has ever occurred in the lower part of Manhattan. Politicians of all parties, merchants, clerks, lawyers, doctors and undertakers are among the pledge takers. Some have agreed to keep from drinking six months; others have promised for a year.

ALL SORTS.

The Bonaparte hotel, at St. Louis, will be the largest hotel in the United States, and its opening will be simultaneous with that of the big exposition. The sun dial, that old time favorite of the garden of the past, has been revived, and it is stated on good authority that no garden will be considered complete without it.

In addition to the usual request from the white house for a list of their families and friends who may be with them by which to regulate the issue of social invitations, all congressmen have this year been asked to furnish a list of their minor children. It is understood that the "grown ups" are to have no monopoly of official society's pleasures from this time forward to the end of the Roosevelt's children's stay in the executive mansion.

Seven members of the present house of representatives served as soldiers in the war with Spain. They are Charles Dick, Nineteenth Ohio district; Ariosto A. Wiley, Second Alabama; Butler Ames, Fifth Massachusetts; August P. Gardner, Sixth Massachusetts; William Hughes, Sixth New Jersey; Francis B. Harrison, Thirteenth New York, and Wyatt Aiken, Third South Carolina. They ranged in military rank from private to lieutenant colonel.

With 200,000 bushels of high grade wheat in his granaries, A. J. Rice, of Atchison county, Kansas, might be called the wheat king of the west. He is the owner of 114 quarter sections of land, scattered over three counties in western Kansas. Rice went to Kansas 25 years ago with a bad case of consumption and a little money. He hailed from New York, where the eight other members of his family had died from pulmonary troubles. He started in a modest way, accumulated some money and invested in land. To-day he owns 20,000 acres, 8,000 of which were sown to wheat last fall.

MEN AND AFFAIRS.

Arthur Duffy, American intercollegiate and international champion sprinter, has a collection of medals of which any athlete might be proud.

John W. Ford, of Jefferson township, Hillsdale county, Mich., has never been outside of the county named but once since 1845, and has only paid 30 cents railroad fare in all his life. Mr. Ford is a great reader and has a fine library of standard and miscellaneous works. He was collector for a fire insurance company in Hillsdale county for 29 years and made all his collections on foot.

Congressman Fred Landis, of Indiana, never thinks of consulting weather predictions when he wishes to know whether a meteorological change is imminent. "We know something better than that out in my state," he remarked, as he sat drinking a cup of coffee. "Do you see the bubbles rising from the sugar in my coffee and gathering around the center of the cup instead of hugging close about the edges? Every man in Indiana knows that means a change of weather. It is surely coming."

Viscount Hayashi, the new Japanese minister to London, is a man of broad culture and fine ability. He has translated into his own language many foreign works on political, economical and religious subjects and all have had wide circulation. He speaks English with just a trace of accent. Viscount Hayashi belongs to one of the ancient feudal families, which, before the revolution of 1868, were the military and governing classes, but he himself was born with liberal, progressive views and is in complete sympathy with the democratic opinions now to the fore in Japan.

HAS PROUD RECORD.

Senator Allison of Iowa Has Been a Member of the "Upper House" for Thirty Years.

Senator Allison entered the senate in 1873, and there is now, says the Washington Post, no one member of that body who has served continuously as he has done. Stewart, of Nevada, was a member, and John H. Mitchell, of Oregon, took his seat at the same time. Stewart was out 12 years and Mitchell ten years. John P. Jones, of Nevada, took his seat at the same time, but closed 30 years of service last March. There were some interesting figures in the senate when Allison took his seat there for



SENATOR ALLISON.
(Iowa Statesman Who Has Served in Senate for 30 Years.)

the first time. From the south there was quite an array of the so-called carpet bag senators. Among the well-known personages the new Iowa man met on the floor 30 years ago were Powell Clayton, now ambassador to Mexico, and Stephen W. Dorsey, Arkansas; John B. Gordon, Georgia; John A. Logan and Richard J. Oglesby, Illinois; Oliver P. Morton, Indiana; John J. Ingalls, Kansas; Hannibal Hamlin and Lot M. Morrill, Maine; George S. Boutwell, Charles Sumner and William D. Washburn, Massachusetts; Zach Chandler and Thomas W. Perry, Michigan; Alexander Ramsey and William Windom, Minnesota; Adelbert Ames, Mississippi; Carl Schurz, Missouri; Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, New Jersey; Roscoe Conkling, New York; Matt W. Ransom, North Carolina; John Sherman and Allen G. Thurman, Ohio; Simon Cameron, Pennsylvania; William G. Brownlow, Tennessee; James W. Flanagan, Texas; George F. Edmunds and Justin S. Morrill, Vermont; Henry J. Davis, West Virginia; Matthew H. Carpenter, Wisconsin.

It is quite a distinction to be the sole survivor of an entire membership of the senate. While it is true that there are two men members now who were there 30 years ago, Senator Allison has seen them go and their successors take their seats and again witnessed their return. He is the one man who has been a member and witnessed a complete change in the senate, himself alone excepted.

CLASSIC MEMORIAL.

Unique Structure to Be Erected in Memory of Illinois Soldiers Who Fought at Vicksburg.

Classic in design is the temple which the Illinois Vicksburg military park commission intends to erect in the national park at Vicksburg as a memento of the valiant Illinoisans who participated in the campaign and siege of the Mississippi city. The structure recalls the Pantheon and the Temple of Min-



VICKSBURG MEMORIAL.
(To Be Erected by State of Illinois as a Memento to its Veterans.)

erva at Rome, which was one of the finest of the ancient world. It will be about 48 feet in diameter and 58 feet high, and will be lighted from the top only. It will be decorated with historic figures, one of which will represent the surrender of Vicksburg by Pemberton to Gen. Grant. On bronze panels will be the names of Illinois soldiers, from colonels down, who took part in the campaign, with the branch of the army to which they belonged.

Death Hazed by a Pin.
Homer N. Hayes, of Kansas City, died in Colorado Springs from the effects of swallowing a pin a year ago. He suffered no pain from the pin until recently, when the symptoms were mistaken for those of appendicitis. In the operation that followed the pin was found lodged in the intestines, near the vermiform appendix. It was rusty, and the stomach was inflamed, and bore evidence of having been punctured in various places. The pin was removed. Death resulted from the condition of the stomach.

Boston Beaten by China.
The port of New Chwang, at the mouth of the Liao river, is the greatest bean market in the world.

NERVY LITTLE FELLOW.

Gen. Huertas, Commander in Chief of Panama's Army, Has Creditable Military Record.

Gen. Esteban Huertas, commander in chief of the Panama forces, is a gallant little fighter who entered the service as a bugle boy when he was only nine years of age. He was such a good bugler that there was great rivalry among the officers to obtain his services. When he was 13 years old he was spirited away from the command with which he was serving at the time and brought to Panama. In order to prevent his being identified and returned to his former place, his name was changed. He has seen much



GEN. ESTEBAN HUERTAS.
(Commander in Chief of the Military Forces of Panama.)

service. He was in the trenches during the whole of the great battle known as the "seven-day fight" in Panama three years ago. Under his leadership his troops fought desperately, and at the conclusion of the struggle there was a pile of 400 dead men in front of them. Gen. Huertas has a great reputation as a strategist. Once he was given a detail of 60 men and ordered to capture a battery of five pieces, which was located near the sea shore. He took five men and made a cautious detour to the rear of the position he wished to take. Then his 55 men landed in a boat within sight of the defenders of the battery. As soon as the enemy got busy in front he pounced upon them from the rear with his little squad, and got their guns without the loss of a man.

His latest exploit was the capture of his two superior officers during "the bloodless revolution." He agreed to assist the secession movement, and although the time had been set for the outbreak, he had not told his officers or his men. It seems Colombia got wind that trouble was brewing on the isthmus, and quietly sent out forces to put down the movement. Two superior officers walked into the barracks one afternoon and took Huertas unaware. None of his subordinates happened to be in the room when they walked in. One of them said: "Are you aware, sir, that a rebellion is about to break out here?" He replied that he knew it. "Are you ready to resist it?" He told them he was to his last man. "Look there," he said, pointing out the window, "see those guns trained on the street, and I will show you how well drilled are my men." He walked to the door, gave an order, and in a moment a detail of 30 men filed into the room. He ordered his two superior officers arrested, and sent word to the rebels to come after their prisoners. It was a nifty trick and might easily have cost him his neck. Gen. Huertas has but one hand, having lost the other in battle. He is hardly five feet tall and weighs only 107 pounds. He is very gallant and is the lion of the hour in Panama.

STEPHEN B. ELKINS.

West Virginia's Choice for Nomination for Vice President on Republican Ticket.

Stephen Benton Elkins, whom Senator N. B. Scott suggests for the vice presidential nomination on the republican ticket, is now serving his second term in the United States senate, and is largely interested in coal mining and in



STEPHEN B. ELKINS.
(Boomed for Vice President by the Republicans of West Virginia.)

steam and street railways. He was born in Perry county, Ohio, Sept. 26, 1841, went to Missouri in childhood and there was graduated from the state university in 1860. He was admitted to the bar in 1863, but went to New Mexico, where he became a member of the legislature, and was subsequently attorney general of the territory and United States district attorney. He was delegate in congress, 1873-77. Then he moved to West Virginia, and has since been prominent in traction, gas and mining corporations. Senator Elkins was secretary of war from 1891 to 1893.

CONQUEST OF LASSA.

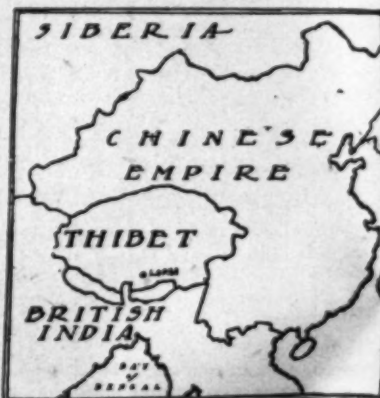
It Is Now Being Attempted by Strong British Force.

China, Which Exercises Soverainity Over Thibet, Has Offered No Protest—Country Ruled by Corrupt Priests.

England's so-called "peaceful" advance into Thibet with a force from 2,000 to 3,000 strong, led by Col. Younghusband and Col. MacDonald, is the subject of much discussion by European statesmen. Russia is suspicious of the movement. From the English government's standpoint the expedition is to support and protect the commission sent to more rigidly enforce the treaty between Great Britain and Thibet; also to gain new concessions and, more than all, to enlarge the channels of commerce and see that Russia gets no more favors than England.

Before the expedition started the Chinese government published in the Peking Gazette an official memorial from the amban reporting a conference with the Thibetan state councillors, at which he urged them to abandon the policy of obstruction and to be reasonable and discuss in a friendly manner trade questions with the British commissioners who would cross the frontier. The memorial was an indication that China herself would place no serious obstacle in the way of negotiations. Since the expedition started the Chinese government has made no protest or remonstrance of any kind; on the contrary, it has given evidence that it regards the expedition with approval.

Several Europeans have entered Lassa since the expulsion of the French priests Huc and Gabet in 1846. Instead of being sent away they were cared for and given much good food—poisoned. Once two foreigners and a foreign woman came within a day's journey of Lassa. They were permitted to send for food and were not



MAP OF THIBET.
(Showing its Position in Relation to British and Russian Spheres.)

soned, but they were not allowed to enter the sacred city.

A class of priests, ecclesiastical roughs, constituting one-third of the clerical population, are noted for their fighting tendencies. Their occupation consists in training themselves in athletic feats—stone throwing, high jumping, tests of bodily strength, wrestling and singing wild songs. Their daily religious duties are reading the Scriptures, but they have no scholarly attainments.

The 6,000,000 of Thibetans are expected to support 433,242 priests of the new school of Buddhists. Among these are 1,000 reincarnated lamas, who receive a special education and are treated with great reverence. The government employs 165 official priests by royal appointment and the same number of lay officials. The departments of the royal household, religious affairs, war and treasury, all have their own ministers.

The population of Lassa (11,500 feet altitude) is between 70,000 and 100,000. The Brebun temple contains 7,000 priests and students, the great temple of Sera, 5,500, and the great Gaden temple, 3,300. Thibetans are unusually filthy in their habits, and for this reason they consider the Chinese extremely clean. Many of the men have only one wife apiece, while as many as a dozen or more men have but one wife for the lot. There is no trouble about the children, for each recognizes the numerous fathers as first, second and third father, and so on through the list.

The New York Herald says the people are extravagantly fond of dazzling jewelry of all kinds. Human bodies are fed to bald-headed eagles and dogs. Some are thrown into the river or burned, but as a rule cremation is rare. Smallpox, which flourishes in all countries, regardless of race, language or custom, has played havoc in Thibet. More than 6,000 fatal cases are on record, but the population continues to increase just the same.

City people are great meat eaters, chiefly of the yak; for the second choice mutton, goat and beef. Country people who raise meat to sell at very little of their flesh products.

Deplorable Lack of Humor.

Only few brides kick in the bridal traces when the promise to "obey" is required of them at the marriage service, and they are chiefly of the untractable class. On this subject the Baltimore American pleasantly says: "If women had more sense of humor, brides could get a good deal more fun out of life by promising to obey, and then watching the efforts of their husbands to collect the goods."

American Apples in Berlin.

American apples are seen on every fruit stand and are peddled through every street in Berlin, the price being five cents a pound. Germany consumed about 7,000 tons of our apples during last year.



Attorney R. R. Horner has been quite sick with a cold.

Recorder J. C. Darcy left the city last week for the South.

Ex-Governor F. B. S. Pinchback visited Tuskegee, Ala., last week.

Mr. A. W. Boston and wife have gone with Dr. Samuel M. Pierce.

Mrs. Nellie Morgan continues sick at her home, 918 11th Street, Northwest.

The Prudence Crandall Association is a success as well as a benefit to the people.

The Mandolin club entertainment last week was not so well attended. The weather was against it.

Mr. H. C. Hawkins of the Department of Justice has been quite sick. He is not able to be out as yet.

Attorney R. D. Ruffin, who was injured several weeks ago by a fall, has sufficiently recovered to be at his desk again.

Mr. W. H. Mitchell and his wife have been sick with the grip. The husband is able to be out but his wife is still confined.

Rev. Horace Talbot, of the Wilberforce University, was in the city this week, the guest of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Henry Black.

Mr. Isaac L. Henson has successfully passed the Civil Service Examination, and was appointed law clerk in the 2d Auditor's Office several weeks ago.

Attorney P. W. Frisby met with a serious accident on Washington's Birthday, in company with Attorney King on his way from the Patterson school.

Mrs. Amanda Smith and Mrs. Agnes Manson, of Huntington, West Va., are city guests at the Lyde Hotel. Both of these ladies are doing thriving business at their homes.

Dr. S. M. Pierre, one of the most successful physicians in the city, has purchased a fine house at 2124 L St., N. W. Mr. Arthur F. Boston and his Madame have rooms with Dr. and Mrs. Pierre.

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"LIKE MAN, LIKE HORSE."

Characteristics of the Owner Often Shown in the Animal—Don't Blame the Animal.

I've always had a notion that the horse is like the man; in other words, that the horse is often what his owner makes him. Recently I came across the following bit of wisdom in a farm paper, and as the writer's ideas are exactly my own I cannot refrain from quoting his thoughts to-day:

"The excitable horseman," he says, "will have horses just like he is himself. The man without horse sense will have a horse with the same poor sense. The man who is loud when driving will have a boisterous horse, and no one ought to blame the horse. The man who stops his team with a drawing 'w-h-o-a' will have a team that will stop in the same manner—that is, they will take two or three steps after they are told to stop." I might quote more, but enough is enough. You get the idea. What's more, you all know living examples of the kind of horsemen referred to. You—of course—aren't built that way; but the "other fellow" often is. Too often. And usually he blames the horse for his own shortcomings. Once in awhile, probably, he licks old Dobbin or Jim for some fault that in reality is his own. It isn't fair! Train or drive or use a horse properly and nine out of ten times that horse behaves himself and does all that is expected of an animal.

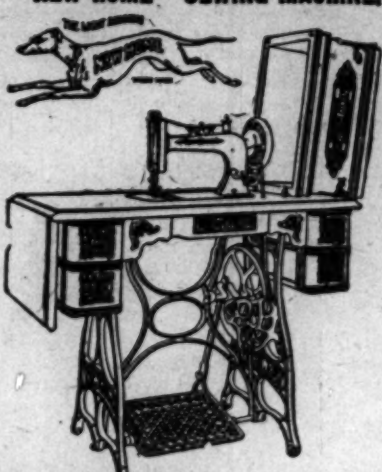
New Paper Product.

Waste paper is used as the basis of a new composition which is said to be harder than many kinds of stone. The secret is that of a Yonkers (N. Y.) man, who has given it the name of pollardite. As a thin veneer placed on iron, wood, stone or brick, it is said to offer protection against fire, water, acids or rust, resisting the effects of extremes of high and low temperatures. It is composed chiefly of waste paper pulped and molded into form, and presents the appearance of stone in color and consistency.

Influence of Sun Spots.

In speaking of the effects of sun spots on the earth, Prof. Elkins, of the Yale observatory, said: "They produce magnetic or atmospheric disturbances or changes. The effect of the spots is entirely magnetic. It takes a very sensitive compass to be affected even."

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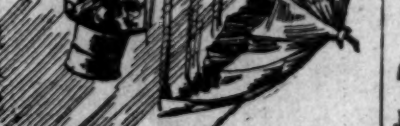
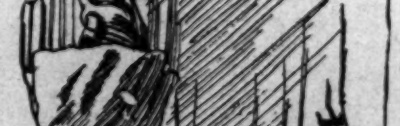
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THE LAW OF THE LAND.

A railroad company is held, in Donovan vs. Pennsylvania Co. (C. C. App. 7th C), 61 L. R. A. 140, to be entitled to give the exclusive right to solicit patrons within its station to one hackman.

Failure of loaders to perform their duty and remove loose coal hanging in a mine, which renders the place unsafe for other employees to work in, is held, in Tradewater Coal Co. vs. Johnson (Ky.), 61 L. R. A. 161, to be the negligence of the master and not of the fellow servant of a machine man's helper.

Where a contract of employment is made for one year at a stipulated salary per month, an agreement during the term to receive less or to pay more than the contract price is held, in C. H. Davis & Co. vs. Morgan (Ga.), 61 L. R. A. 148, to be void unless supported by some change in place, hours, character of employment or other consideration.

The owner of the building required by statute to be provided with fire-escapes is held, in Carrigan vs. Stillwell (Me.), 61 L. R. A. 163, not to be relieved from liability for their absence by the fact that the building was in possession of a tenant, where the statute requires notice to be given to him in case they are found to be unsafe and imposes a penalty upon him for neglect to comply with recommendations in regard to them.

A manufacturer who, without giving notice of its dangerous character, supplies to another a machine which at the time of delivery he knows to be imminently dangerous to the life or limbs of anyone using it for the purpose for which it is intended, is held, in Huest vs. J. I. Case Threshing Mach. Co. (C. C. App. 8th C), 61 L. R. A. 303, to be liable to an employee of the vendee who sustains injury from its dangerous conditions.

SEWING CIRCLE GOSSIP.

Lady Clifford, of Chudleigh has been interesting herself in the revival of the lace industry in Devonshire, England.

Matilda Serao, the noted Italian novelist, has been traveling in Palestine, and has written a book about her experiences.

Mrs. Thomas Jefferson willed her wedding ring to Mrs. Martin Tazewell Southall, who died in Baltimore recently.

The widow of the late Prof. Virchow has decided not to sell his extensive library, but to give it to several of the scientific institutions to which he belonged. At the last meeting of the Berlin Medical association Prof. Ewald announced the receipt for the society of about 7,000 of these books.

The Baroness Burdett-Coutts is a standing wonder to London. The venerable woman is out driving every fair day and often when the weather is so unfavorable as to keep much younger women at home, for the baroness is a firm believer in fresh air. The result is that in old age she retains much of her youthful vivacity.

Mrs. Thompson B. Ferguson, wife of Oklahoma's governor, is dean of newspaper women in that territory, having been actively engaged in journalism for a number of years. Her husband was away from home when a telegram arrived announcing that President Roosevelt had named him for governor of the territory. Mrs. Ferguson promptly wired his acceptance. When he arrived home in the evening she had a grip packed and he left on the night train for Washington, where he was commissioned at once.

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OLD BACHELOR TALKS.

His Experience with a Woman Who Used His Money to Marry the Other Man.

A Joplin (Mo.) bachelor regards woman as a very wayward, fickle creature, and the Joplin News-Herald says that he seems to have some ground for his opinion. "That's the reason I never married," he confided, after having remarked about the fickleness of femininity. "Several years ago," he proclaimed, "I happened to be in another town engaged on a contract, and while there I ran across a young woman whom I used to know working in a hotel. I had known her when she was but a girl, and at that time her parents were well fixed. She told me that her husband had deserted her, leaving her to work out for her living. I didn't like to see her there, and I arranged with a friend to give her a better position. Finally I took such a liking to her that I proposed marriage, and she accepted me, agreeing to marry me as soon as she



TELLING HIS TALE OF WOE.

could get a divorce. She went to Springfield and proposed to get the divorce there. Every now and then she would send me marked copies of papers containing items regarding the progress of her case. All the time I was sending her money to support her there and aid her in getting the case through. Some time after I received a copy of a Springfield paper with the account of her divorce being granted. She asked for a little more money to get her wedding trousseau made. I sent her more money, and she wrote me how she was progressing with her trousseau.

"Well, did she get it finished?" The bachelor paused to light his cigar.

"Yes, she did. I received another marked copy of a Springfield paper. This time it contained the notice of her marriage."

"Her marriage?"

"Yes; the blanket woman had gone and married a conductor, and here she had worked me for the money to buy her wedding outfit and get her divorce."

"That's the reason I'm still bacheling," continued the Joplin man, with a sigh.

SHE PAID HER BET.

Omaha Girl Eats Ice Cream in Yard at Zero, Surrounded by a Host of Friends.

Because she lost in a wager made last summer, Miss Florence Parmalee, of Omaha, Neb., Christmas afternoon ate a pint of ice cream sitting in the front yard at her father's residence, while the thermometer registered just below zero.

Friends to the number of a score or more gathered around to cheer her on, while passersby stopped to see the fun. Miss Parmalee is the daughter of Capt. Edward Parmalee, of the quartermaster's department, United States army. All the friends present when the



ATE A PINT OF ICE CREAM.

wager was laid were invited to the banquet. Promptly at four o'clock the party went into the yard, where a chair was placed where the sweep of the north wind could be felt at its worst. Then Miss Parmalee, wrapped in furs and coats, took her seat and was handed a huge dish containing a brick of variegated ice cream, which she promptly proceeded to eat, while she shivered.

Obeyed Orders Literally.

A teacher in a western town, instructing a class in composition, gave this advice: "Do not attempt any flights of fancy; be yourselves and write what is in you." The following day a bright pupil handed in the following: "We should not attempt any flights of fancy, but write what is in us. In me there is my stomach, lungs, heart, liver, two apples, one piece of mince pie, three sticks of candy, a ham lot of peanuts and my dinner."

OWNED BY THE NAVY.

Wireless Telegraph station at North Truro, Mass.

Situated on a High, Bleak Bluff Which Rises in a Steep Ascent of 140 Feet from the Storm-Tossed Beach.

On the outer sea coast line where stretches the banded arm of Massachusetts far into the broad Atlantic, at Highland light, Cape Cod, has just been established a wireless telegraph plant by the United States navy department.

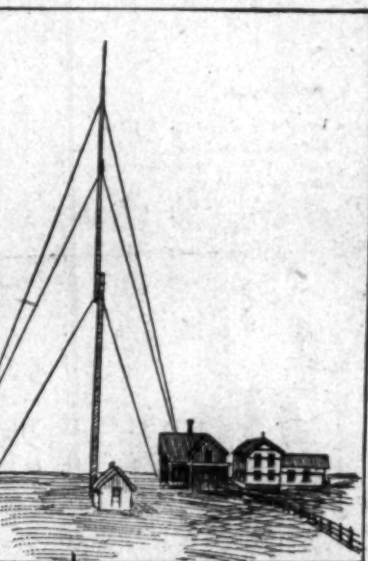
The station at this point is located on the northern extremity of the lighthouse reservation and within less than 100 feet of the marine signal station of the Boston chamber of commerce. The blue clay bluff here rises in sheer and almost perpendicular ascent from the beach 140 feet and the waves thunder at its base when the gale lashes them into fury.

The Boston Globe says that on this storm-swept cliff rises, 190 feet from the ground, a huge staff, and at its utmost top, from a small projecting arm, pointing heavenward, swings the wire which is to catch the electric spark sent out from some passing ship and transmit it to the instruments in the office of the operator. A man standing at the top of this high staff looks down on the sea washing the sandy shore 330 feet below.

This telegraphic mast is made in three sections, the lower of Oregon pine, 26 inches in diameter at the base and 28 inches at the bounds. It is 102 feet in length and its base sets in solid concrete to a depth of 13 feet. From its top run four heavy cable wire guys, attached to heavy chains which encircle timbers 14 inches square and 15 feet in length, buried 12 feet in the ground, and the anchors each 30 feet from the base of the staff.

The second section, or topmast, is 53 feet in length, and guyed like the lower mast, to sand anchors 20 feet beyond the main staff anchors. The topgallantmast is 30 feet, and is guyed to the same anchors which hold the topmast. A rope ladder like the ratlines on a ship affords means for reaching the top of the mast.

The ground plate, a sheet of solid copper one-fourth of an inch in thickness, 15 feet long and nine feet wide, is buried eight feet in the ground, and connected by copper wires to the instru-



TRURO WIRELESS STATION. (Located on Bleak, High Bluff Off Massachusetts Coast.)

ments in the operating room of the electricians' dwelling, a story and a half wooden structure, sheathed throughout the interior with pine, and a substantial, warm and comfortable building. Everything is now ready except the installation of the instruments, dynamos and batteries, and their arrival is expected in a few days.

Chief Electrician J. D. Donnell is in charge of the station, and, with his wife, is finding the place comfortable as could be expected in these unusually severe days of wind and cold.

The system to be used, and the one adopted by the government for all its stations, is the Slaby-Arco, the invention of a German, and materially different from the Marconi method in many respects. Mr. Donnell, who was for a time at the Charlestown navy yard, was able to pick up the cruiser Tokopa by the wireless on her visit to Boston some weeks ago, and opened successful communication with her when she was 36 miles out. It is claimed that 75 miles have been easily covered, and that when the station and ships get fully tuned up more than double that distance can be covered.

It is anticipated that eventually it will be possible to reach from one station to another around the entire chain of coastwise stations, and to reach ships at sea anywhere within a radius of 200 miles. It is proposed by the government to establish a chain of stations extending from the coast of Maine to the Gulf of Mexico, to Porto Rico, and along the entire coast line of the Pacific to Alaska.

These stations in most instances would not be over 200 miles apart, and it is thought it will be possible to reach from one station to the other along the entire Atlantic coast across the isthmus of Panama and up the Pacific line to the northern boundaries of this country.

Although several severe gales have prevailed since the staff here was erected last October, it stands firm and secure. The grounds upon which both the lighthouse and wireless station stand was originally a plot of ten acres, but now less than five acres remain, the balance having washed into the sea. The average washing away of the cliffs at this point is nearly two feet yearly, and in 25 years the wireless plant, and in 35 years the lighthouse will be in danger of falling into the sea.

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On a Japanese Warship.

Japanese sailors on the Mikado's warships are thus described by Archibald S. Hurd: "These sailors of the far east take things very much as they find them with a stoical calm. They face danger with much the same spirit with which they take their pleasure, and in spite of the rapid strides which civilization has made in their country their luxuries are few and they are contented and happy. They are devoted to simple sports, to fencing and to acting; no one can ever forget the dramatic entertainments on board the Japanese men-of-war who has been privileged to witness them. Nor does the memory soon become dim of one of these ships when decked out in gala dress, with chrysanthemums, cherry blossoms and other blooms typical of Japan enlivening the grim aspect of the decks. The men are adepts in the making of imitation paper flowers, which so closely resemble the handwork of nature that at a casual glance one hardly notices the deception.

Railway Construction.

In 1857 an American named Collins first proposed a railway from the Amur to the village of Tchita. Later, several plans were formulated, but it was not until March 17, 1891, that the Trans-Siberian railroad was definitely determined on and projected by an imperial order. On May 19, 1891, the first stone was laid. The line covers 3,562 miles in Russian territory and 1,604 miles in Chinese territory. In ten and one-half years 5,166 miles of rails were laid. In the Canadian Pacific, constructed under similar conditions, it took ten years to lay 2,921 miles of rails.

How a Statue Started.

Very warlike is the aspect of a singular equestrian statue in Belgium, yet there is no cause for alarm, since it is nothing but a tree. Some ten years ago a police officer retired from the force and went to live near Charleroi. Being an amateur horticulturist, he busied himself a good deal with trees and flowers and one day as he was trimming a hawthorn in his garden it occurred to him that it would be a novel idea to train it in such a manner that it would eventually assume the figure of a cavalry officer. At once he went to work, and after ten years' labor he succeeded in transforming the tree into a perfect picture of a mounted soldier. The tree is known in the neighborhood as "Gen. Hawthorn," and hardly a day passes that strangers do not come from a considerable distance in order to view this wonderful example of horticultural art.—Detroit Free Press.

Russian Enterprise.

The Russian government will establish permanent commercial museums in Paris.

The "Freezing" Cure.

From France comes the experiment of "freezing" human beings as a cure for some complaints. The original "subject" was placed in a steel fur-lined cylinder for a quarter of an hour at a time, a solution of various acids, at 110 degrees below zero, being circulated through the cylinder's double walls. By such applications the man was cured after suffering from dyspepsia for 15 years.

WHAT SCIENTISTS SAY.

M. Curie, the discoverer of radium, has found that the rays of radium color glass a violet blue.

A plant at Niagara Falls is taking nitrogen from the air by electrolysis, but not yet in commercial quantity.

Prof. Lapworth, regarding the moon with a geologist's eye, feels convinced that it is an active and living world.

Three months ago Dr. Pusepp, of St. Petersburg, carried a small quantity of radium in his vest pocket for six hours. A few days later a painful wound appeared on his body and all efforts to heal it have so far failed.

Dr. A. Negri, of Pavia, announced last March the discovery of the specific micro-organism of hydrophobia. He now states that he has examined more than 100 dogs with natural or laboratory hydrophobia, and has never failed to find the specific micro-organism in the nerve centers. On the other hand, he has never found it in other dogs.

The idea that comets are connected with radio-active substances was suggested by T. C. Chamberlain, as long ago as July, 1901. Prof. C. V. Boys now considers that radium, whose particles are shot out at a twelfth of the velocity of light, may explain some of the phenomena of comet's tails, as these particles would be sent away from the electrically charged surface of the sun in a single, double or multiple stream. The negatively charged rays that radium is said to give out would be attracted, giving the tails that on a few occasions have pointed toward the sun.

A brave young woman set forth from her home in Ireland not long ago. Fourteen years before she had been engaged to marry John Lewis, who decided that he would make his fortune in America first. After 14 years trying he succeeded, and Miss Phoebe Jane Benn, the girl who had waited all these years for him, was told to join him.

With a willing heart she packed her trunks and came to New York. Thence she went to Northport, L. I., and the groom met her. The wedding took place immediately.

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DREAM OF THE MINER.

Always Expecting to Stumble on a Colossal Fortune—But His Best Finds Are Small.

The first men in the mines were a sort of madmen, writes Joaquin Miller, in the Sunset Magazine. Like Cortez and his men, they expected every day, every hour, to come upon untold wealth. Men really expected to find houses of gold, or at least nuggets as big as barns. I remember that I always, day after day, year after year, expected, some time and in some strange and sudden way, to stumble on a colossal fortune. Yet if I should receive 25 cents a day for what work I did in the mines there would to-day be quite a balance to my credit; and a hundred thousand miners could say as much.

No, the mines never paid the men who worked them greatly, whether in this rich camp or elsewhere. But the gold that was dug out contributed to the wealth of the world and carried it on and up, so that no one should now complain. The great big lumps of gold, however, were never found. You can search the gold history of all Australia through and through, as well as California, and be surprised to learn that there was never yet a single lump or nugget of gold found too heavy to be handled by even a woman. Many nuggets were found, it is true, that were very promising in weight and size, but that was all. Yet they were like alluring beacon lights, and every new nugget, or new and rich deposit of dust, only excited men the more. So, like the gold-hunting Spaniards, they pierced every mountain pass, every canyon and burrowed in the bed of every accessible river on the western slope before they had been here a year. It is a notable fact that all the placer mines in California were found during the first three months.

VALUE OF A GOOD YAWN.

Medical Men Declare It Relaxes Tense Nerves and Contracted Muscles—Rests the Whole Body.

Yawning is not at all times an indication of a feeling of laziness. More frequently it is an evidence that certain muscles have been overstrained and require rest. Medical men aver that a yawn is nature's demand for rest. Some people think they only yawn because they are sleepy. But this is not so. You yawn because you are tired. You may be sleepy, also, but that is not the real cause of your yawning. You are sleepy because you are tired, and you yawn because you are tired.

Whenever you feel like yawning, just yawn. Don't try to suppress it, because you think it is impolite to yawn. Put your hand over your mouth, if you want to, but let the yawn come. And if you are where you can stretch at the same time that you yawn, just stretch and yawn. This is nature's way of stretching and relaxing the muscles.

Don't be afraid to open your mouth wide and yawn and stretch whenever you feel like it. Indeed, if you are very tired, but do not feel like yawning, there is nothing that will rest you so quickly as to sit on a straight-backed chair, and, lifting the feet from the floor, push them out in front of you as far as possible, stretch the arms, put the head back, open the mouth wide, and make yourself yawn.

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HERE'S A LITTLE



Pointer for You

By Miss MAY CLEMATIS.

Some girls are too fresh.
Do not go alone on excursions.
Every girl should protect herself.
Do not express too much anxiety.
Do not expect to please everybody.
Courtship is of short duration now.
Never introduce yourself to a male.
Do not imagine that you are pretty.
It is in bad taste to admire yourself.
Artifice is like fresh cake it will get stale.
Independence in a girl will command respect.
S. T. You must be able to protect yourself.
Be slow to speak but quick to comprehend.
Self pride will after lead to ridicule and disgust.
When your conscience is right, you need not fear.
Always be on time when you intend to attend church.
What will please some people will satisfy others.
The honeymoon lasts three days on an average.
D. T. Dresses have been quite tight this summer.
Do your duty and nothing more can be expected of you.
Everything that becomes other people may not become you.
He will not respect you, neither will you ask to be introduced.
Familiarity should not be tolerated, will cause you to be disrespected.
Gellie. Deception is very often equivalent in a fickle minded girl.
Taste. Do not be selfish. It is in bad taste to impose upon a true friend.
Point on the face is vulgar. It readily demonstrates the character of the woman.
A lady will allow a man to walk with her with a cigar or cigarette in his mouth.
Miss E. You should not doubt when you see evidences of affections and of love.
Be what you are and do not ever attempt to make of yourself something else.
Your good senses will teach you either you are respected by your escort.
Always keep one thing in view and it is always keep the gossipers quiet.
A good house wife knows how to manage a house and what will please her husband.
Miss O. Do not believe everything is said to you. It is well to weigh everything.
Sadie. Do not imagine that your life cannot be filled by another. There are often of this opinion.
Essie. Be contented and you will be loved. There are times in ones life when acts become bunglesome.
Miss R. M. Flashy dressing will become people but what ones thoughts are another question.
Leta. Friendship can be alienated by coolness and indifference. Some people cannot appreciate true friendship.
Miss T. M. You cannot expect to win your friends by deception. This lesson was given to you some years ago.
Leta. How can you expect to demand that you do not conduct yourself properly. You ask for advice. Be wise in your actions and conduct show that you are.
M. All work is honorable, and should never be proud to do. It is where you may be or what may be doing.
M. M. You doubt yourself, hence cannot trust others. You must have confidence in some body. Never go to a conclusion until you are fully convinced. Do not suspect a friend without cause.
Leta. Take life as you find it. It is not your make it any way. There are some who believe that goodness is in life praying. Many hypocrites with no meaning or sincerity.
Leta. Be thoroughly convinced that you have selected the proper person for you. It is better for you to go to a quiet country place and rest up. Do not marry for the name. If condition is to be improved by companion the proper person for you.
Leta. You are going away for the summer. You want to know what is the best. It is better for you to go to a quiet country place and rest up. Do not marry for the name. If condition is to be improved by companion the proper person for you.

IN THE LIBRARY.

Very few are aware that the real name of "Joaquin Miller" is Cincinnati Helne.
"Whatever goes up must come down" is unfortunately not true of the book on the shelf.
Stephen Girard left one of the finest private libraries in the United States when he died, but where it is now no one knows.
A day or two after Bliss Carman's "Pipes of Pan" came out, Mrs. Craigie copyrighted her latest play, "The Flute of Pan." It is regarded as quite a coincidence.

Jules Verne, the French romancer, in his seventh-sixth year, is compelled by defective sight to work very slowly; but he tells a correspondent that that does not much matter, since the book he is now engaged upon, his one hundred and first, will not be wanted by the printers until about 1910. He publishes two books a year, and has 13 complete manuscripts ready for the press.

The most notable recent bibliographic find is a second copy of Shelley's "Original Poetry by Victor and Cazire." Shelley's "Proposals for an Association of Philanthropists" sold last spring for \$2,650, and as the "Victor and Cazire" is not only rarer, but has the distinction of being Shelley's first book, it is expected that it will fetch something like \$5,000 when it is offered by auction.

Sir Conan Doyle is renewing his attempt to enter parliament through a Scottish constituency, having accepted the unionist invitation to contest the Hawick burghs. Three years ago he tried for central Edinburgh, but was beaten—by a publisher, too. He has a stiff fight ahead of him now, for the Hawick burghs are aggressively radical. Thomas Shaw, the sitting member, is a good fighter and will doubtless give him a fast run.

YOUNG MEN AND OLD.

Frank Brown, Jr., only son of a former governor of Maryland, proposes to go on the stage.

Theodore C. Hinkley, of St. Louis, appointed district attorney of Manila, is 23 years of age.

C. W. Cotton, aged 77, is the oldest reporter in the country. He works on a New Albany (Ind.) paper.

William L. Calhoun, 75 years old, was licensed as an engineer at Cleveland in 1845, but is still actively engaged in that capacity in a pottery in East Liverpool. He is the oldest engineer in Ohio.

Reed Knox, who has been acting as confidential clerk for his father, the United States attorney general, has resigned from the department of justice and will devote his time to the Knox farm of 300 acres at Valley Forge. Father and son will engage in the business of raising blooded cattle.

Ex-Senator Turpie, of Indiana, is nearly 77 years of age, and although somewhat of an invalid he loves work. Last winter he read Blackstone entire, notwithstanding that he had read it many times before. He is fond of the old classics, and is always ready with an apt quotation from his favorite authors. He considers the Bible the best English classic.

Russell Sage eats five meals a day. He begins the day with a substantial breakfast and ends it with an ample dinner. But between this—and therein lies the main merit of his dietary—instead of the heavy luncheon which brings torpor to the keenest intellect the rugged old financier takes three light lunches of bread and milk or crackers and milk or milk and a sandwich, but always milk. These lesser meals he consumes at 11, 1 and 4.

WHERE WOMEN WIN.

About one-tenth of the buyers in New York wholesale stores are women.

Miss Mary E. Jenkins has just been elected president of the Syracuse (N. Y.) Herald Publishing company. She is a thorough business woman and well acquainted with all the details of the newspaper business, with which she has been connected for a number of years.

By far the most wonderful wedding presents ever given to an American bride are those presented Miss May Goelet on the occasion of her marriage to the duke of Roxburghe. The gifts, which are now at the Goelet house, carefully guarded, represent a wonderful fortune. If they were all converted into cash, the figures would reach into the millions.

The Wisconsin Society of Mayflower Descendants has reelected Mrs. James Sidney Peck, of Milwaukee, to the office of its governor, and she is said to be the only woman holding the office of governor of a state Mayflower Descendants' society in this country. All the other principal offices of the Wisconsin society are held by women. The society voted \$50 to the fund for the erection of a monument at Provincetown, Mass., to the memory of the signers of the Mayflower compact on November 21, 1620.

TRADE TOPICS.

In the United States there are 97,671 dry goods merchants.

Commerce between the United States and Russia during the last fiscal year greatly surpassed that of any previous year.

Australia has, as the result of last year's drought, bought since January 7,000,000 bushels of wheat or its equivalent in flour, from the Pacific coast, and 1,000,000 bushels from New York.

Attempts are now being made to form a trade of the German leather manufacturers. As a preliminary step a central office will be located in Berlin and the members of the trust will be assessed about 75 cents an employee for its maintenance. Statistics show that German exports of shoes have fallen off and that imports of American shoes are rapidly increasing.

THE ST. LOUIS FAIR.

Typical '49 mining camp in "Mining Belch."

Approximate cost of the exposition, \$50,000,000.

Rose garden, six acres in area, 50,000 rose trees.

Fair opens April 30, 1904; closes December 1, 1904.

Size of grounds, 1,240 acres, nearly two square miles.

Art pottery manufactory in operation showing processes.

Floral clock, dial 100 feet in diameter, stands 50 feet long.

Melon day—500,000 melons served to visitors without cost.

Automobile chairs, carrying two persons, reach all points.

Thirty-five miles of asphalt and gravel roadways in grounds.

Gen. Grant's cabin in St. Louis county erected at exposition.

Model strawberry farm, with 400 varieties growing thereon.

Map of United States in growing crops covers area of five acres.

Wireless telegraph station among great electrical exhibits.

Main picture comprises ten great palaces, arranged fan shape.

Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home, reproduced on grounds.

The Hermitage, Andrew Jackson's Tennessee home, reproduced.

The pike, a mile long, concessions costing more than \$5,000,000.

Great Britain to reproduce the orangery of Kensington palace.

Three great cascades, largest waterfall ever constructed by man.

Washington's headquarters at Morristown for New Jersey Building.

Robert Burns' cottage at Ayrshire to be reproduced on grounds.—N. Y. World.

MEN OF MEANS.

John D. Rockefeller proposes to plant three carloads of young maple trees on his estate at Tarrytown, N. Y.

Isadore Newman, of New Orleans, recently gave \$50,000 to charity to mark the fiftieth anniversary of his arrival in the United States.

Adrian Iselin, a member of one of New York's wealthy families, is building a church for poor Italian Catholics at New Rochelle.

J. Pierpont Morgan's latest gift is a house to his daughter. It is said to be one of the finest residences in New York, and is located at Park avenue and Thirty-seventh street.

Moses G. Cobb, a wealthy attorney of San Francisco, died recently, leaving his entire estate to Mrs. Rose Barry, a widow who during the last three years of his life looked after him. Cobb's widow, son and five grandchildren are cut off without a cent. A legal contest is in progress. The executor is asked to see that Cobb's body is cremated and "the ashes scattered to the waters of the Pacific ocean."

John D. Spreckles, Jr., son of the California millionaire, is selling tickets in the office of the Oceanic Steamship company offices, San Francisco. His father is president of the company and the young man has determined to master the business. He is on duty every morning at nine o'clock and works until five in the afternoon. His salary, which he has to earn, being shown no favors, is about \$100 per month. Later he means to check right on the dock in order to familiarize himself with that department.

FOREIGN FACTS AND FANCIES.

There is an ice plant in Jerusalem.

The Mexican government has decided to permit Chinese immigration.

Charles T. Yerkes is the authority for the statement that the London underground system is now half completed, and that it will be entirely finished in about five years.

The gambling receipts at Monte Carlo exceed those of last year by over \$600,000. It is the custom of the banks to give those who have lost their all free tickets that will take them home.

The completion of the world's longest tunnel, Simplon, is to be celebrated in 1905 at Milan, the nearest important Italian city, by an international exposition, for which preparations are now being made. A fund of \$600,000 has been raised, and the king of Italy has promised to aid the undertaking in every possible way.

The International Oil company of Japan, which is a branch of the Standard Oil company, has a large refinery at Navetau, besides owning important wells in the western provinces. Sixty-eight native companies have been forced to combine, so that there are now two competing companies, neither of which has one-fourth the capital of the International company.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

It isn't an easy matter to see happiness through another man's eyes.

We can all find reasons why other people shouldn't make mistakes.

Knowledge of a good many men consists of things that aren't so.

Most writers who drop into poetry manage to drop clear through.

All women were born to love and be loved, and they fight it out on that line.

Contentment comes to those only who want but little and are satisfied with less.

What a pity it is that people who worry over trifles haven't something worth while to trouble them!

A girl has it in her power to make any number of men happy for life—by declining to marry them.

Don't think because a man is an expert mathematician that he always counts with the fair sex.

Every man expects to wake up some day and find himself famous. As a rule he does get as far as the waking-up part.—Chicago Daily News.

PEOPLE OF MANY LANDS.

During his hunt in Styria Emperor Franz Josef killed his two thousandth game animal.

Robert Catterton, of New York, recently purchased the far-famed granite mountain, of Texas.

Wu Ting-Fang, formerly Chinese minister to this country, has been appointed vice president of the newly created department of commerce in his home government. It will be his province specially to look after the foreign commerce of China.

Dr. Hans Meyer, the famous German explorer, passed through New York city the other day on his way home from Ecuador, where he spent all last summer studying the glaciers and ice fields of the high Cordilleras. It was Dr. Meyer who reached the top of Killimanjaro, the highest mountain of Africa, after about 20 vain attempts had been made by others.

Lord Milner, at present British high commissioner for South Africa, began life as a newspaper man, his first work being done for the Pall Mall Gazette. His writings attracted the attention of Lord Goschen, who procured for the young journalist a good post under the government of Egypt. Ever since that time he has been in the public service, and now occupies one of the most responsible positions under the crown. The office of colonial secretary was pressed upon him by Mr. Balfour, but he preferred to remain in South Africa.

Peter Maher, the Irish pugilist, was knocked out in one round in Philadelphia, while fighting to secure naturalization papers. He failed to answer the questions properly. For instance, on being asked: "How is the president elected?" he answered: "By a great majority." "Do you know anything about the constitution?" "It's great," said the Irish champion, enthusiastically. "Never felt better in my life. Me constitution is all right. I'm trained to the minute. The declaration of independence? Something to do with the time we licked the English, ain't it?" The commissioner turned him down and Maher departed sadly, saying to a friend: "That was the hardest fight of me life, and sure I lost."

IN THE LIME-LIGHT.

Joseph Jefferson caught a trespasser fishing in his well-stocked lake on his Louisiana farm, the other day. The venerable actor went up to him and called his attention to the fact that he was fishing in a private preserve, in violation of the law. The stranger smiled, sadly. "You are mistaken, sir," he replied. "I'm not catching your fish; I'm feeding them. I haven't landed one, and my bait's nearly all gone."

It is exactly half a century since Sir Henry Irving took his first real lesson in elocution in a class held in the city of London. He was described at that time by a fellow pupil as "a tall, good-looking boy of about 15, dressed in a black jacket suit, with a deep Eton collar, and conspicuous with a mass of raven-black hair and the brightest pair of eyes I have ever seen. When he gave his first recitation he took us by storm, and we knew that a new star had risen."

Charles Frohman, the theatrical manager, regrettably concludes that his appearance lacks distinction in some way. He bases this opinion on a recent experience at the door of the Broadway theater. "I was passing in on my way to a rehearsal," he says, "when a young man, evidently one of the justly hated ticket scalpers, touched my elbow and offered me a dollar. 'Say,' he mumbled, 'do me a little favor, will you? Go up to the box office and buy me two 50-cent seats for to-night.' I should not have felt insulted," concluded Mr. Frohman, "were it not that I aspire to look like a man who might safely engage a box or at least an orchestra chair without exciting suspicion."

BRICK MADE IN THE U. S.

Of vitrified brick, in 1902, there were 617,192 thousand, valued at \$5,744,530, or \$9.31 per thousand.

The quantity of front brick produced in the country amounts to 458,391 thousand, valued at \$5,318,008, or \$11.60 per thousand.

Enameled brick, the entire product of which in 1902 was valued at \$471,163, was made only in California, Illinois, Maryland, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

A little over 40 per cent. of the total value of clay products is in common brick. The production of brick of that class in 1902 amounted to 8,475,067 thousand brick, having a value of \$48,885,869. They brought an average price of \$5.77 per thousand.

The value of fancy or ornamental brick amounts to \$506,453, of fire brick, to \$11,970,511; of stove lining, to \$630,924; of drain tile, to \$3,506,787; of sewer pipe, to \$7,174,892; of ornamental terra cotta, to \$3,526,906; of fire proofing, to \$3,175,593, and of tile to \$3,622,863.

MARTIAL STRAINS.

The 16-inch gun has proved so satisfactory in every way that the question of using calibers larger than 12 inches need not be complicated by the question of practicability.

The late Lieut. Goldschmidt was the oldest musical conductor in the German army. For 50 years he had been leader of the band of the King's grenadiers. His band played at Sedan. In 1898 he was pensioned.

At the close of the Boer war 24,000 British soldiers sought employment as coachmen, groomers, porters, carmen, etc., and places were promptly found in England for 18,000. Lately the number of unemployed former soldiers has increased, owing to the present service of three years with the colors instead of seven years as heretofore.

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MEN IN PUBLIC LIFE.

The French ambassador and Mme. Jusseland will go to New Orleans soon, when there is to be a celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the transfer of Louisiana from France to the United States.

It has been remarked that few men who come to congress from the Pacific coast are natives of that region. One of the few is John Newton Williamson, of Oregon, whose wife was also born in the thirty-third state of the union.

Very few are aware that William H. Taft, prospective secretary of war and now governor of the Philippines, got his start in life through performing the dangerous feat of whipping an editor. His father, after a distinguished public career, had just formed a law partnership in Cincinnati, when a weekly paper attacked his private life in a scandalous way. The young man, fresh from Yale, at once called at the newspaper office and in a few minutes had polished off his man in fine style.

Sir Mortimer Durand, the new British minister to this country, seems to be somewhat democratically inclined. In New York on Thanksgiving day, he went to a popular "dissenting" church with an American friend, instead of going to Sir Percy Sanderson's stately pew in Trinity. He walked to church across Central park and later joined his friend in a walk to Gen. Grant's tomb. Sir Mortimer impresses one as being a well-heeled fellow, in many ways resembling Sir Thomas Lipton.

TAG ENDS OF THINGS.

Camels and elephants are unable to jump.

Three hundred and eighty-two yards, by Travis, is the longest golf drive.

In a year nearly 100,000 persons traverse the 47 miles of railway across the Isthmus.

The motorman who drives the Berlin Zossen electrical train at 140 miles an hour is C. A. Mudge, of Williamsport, Pa.

The Korean government has ordered that all Koreans, without regard to rank or class, should not wear clothes except of a blue or dark color.

The report of the auditor of the state of Iowa shows that there are 1,200 telephone companies in the state, as compared with 700 last year.

Prof. Edward Zella, who has just brought out the last volume of his history of Greek philosophy, is conspicuous even among long lived German scholars, being 89 years of age.

The letters of Mrs. Stevenson, the mother of the novelist, have lately been published in London, and have been highly praised. They seem to confirm the view which has often been expressed that Stevenson inherited much of his literary talent from his mother.

Edmund Clarence Stedman, the veteran author, while on a visit to France, stopped one day on a country road to admire the surrounding country. As he stood gazing meditatively over the fields he noticed that several peasants who passed him on the road bowed and took off their hats to him. Mr. Stedman was at first surprised at their salutes in his honor, and wondered for whom these polite peasants mistook him, but as they were repeated by peasant after peasant he finally concluded that his reputation had penetrated farther than he had ventured to suppose. As he moved away from the spot he happened to glance behind him. He had been standing in front of a statue of the virgin.



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The Uses of Palm Trees.
The various kinds of palm trees on the island of Ceylon are in themselves of great interest, and when their different uses are explained a person can well appreciate how essential they are to the natives in the low country Singalese districts. From the sap of the coconut palm the spirit he drinks is distilled; the kernel of the nut is a necessary element in his daily curry; the "milk" is the beverage offered to every visitor to his domain; his only lamp is fed from the oil; his nets for fishing are manufactured from its fibre, as is also the rope which keeps his goat or cow from going astray; while the rafters of his house, the thatch of the roof and the window blinds are made from its leaf and wood. There is, perhaps, no product in the world that is put to so many and such profitable uses as the coconut palm, for, even before it is grown, its leaf ribs are tied together to make brooms for sweeping and cages for birds.

ART AND ARTISTS.

A bronze bust of the late George William Curtis, by J. Q. A. Ward, has been given a place in the New York public library.
According to a report cabled the Mail and Express the French jury for the St. Louis exposition is having a troublesome time, as 2,700 works have already been sent in from which must be selected the specified 600.
Baltimore is distinctly looking up in the art world. Not only has she a flourishing art club and a municipal art society, but as a side issue there has recently been brought together an exhibition in one of the dealers' galleries in which, it is said, no less than 70 Baltimore artists are represented.
Some public-spirited citizens of Cleveland are urging that something be done to preserve the monument which stands in that city to the memory of Commodore Perry. It is of Carrara marble, which does not agree with the climate of northern Ohio, and unless steps shall be taken for its speedy reproduction in bronze Wolcott's creation may be lost forever. An architect examined the statue closely not long ago and found that from top to bottom it was in bad condition.

OF LITERARY IN EREST.

An attempt is being made to have Dr. Sigurd Ibsen, son of the Norwegian, come to this country next year and lecture on his father's plays.
Alfred Deakin, prime minister of the Australian commonwealth, is an insatiable devourer of novels, and never enters the legislative chamber without one or two. He settles down comfortably into a corner of the treasury bench and reads away when business is dull.

An intimate friend of the poet set himself to find out the rules of Tennyson's versification, and collected from his poems an immense number of laws and examples. "Look here," said the friend, "what wonderful laws you observe!" "It's all true," replied the poet; "I do observe them, but I never knew it!"—Ruskin.

Alfred Tennyson Dickens, the eldest surviving son of Charles Dickens, has strongly protested against the published reports of his father's ill feeling toward Thackeray. He recalls the fact that his father was the chief mourner at Thackeray's funeral in Kensal Green and also wrote a biographical sketch which "did full justice to the genius and merits of the author of 'Vanity Fair' and 'Pendennis.'" Mr. Dickens adds that many a time he has heard his father speak in the most glowing terms of Thackeray's wonderful versatility.

A familiar figure in Toronto is Goldwin Smith. Every fine day he takes his carriage drive, and one sees a shrunken old man, as thin as he is tall, silent and grave of demeanor, preoccupied, it would seem, with his own thoughts. "One might make the mistake of supposing," said an observer, "that the aged citizen—has celebrated his eightieth birthday—was a dyspeptic pessimist, that life had lost its charm for him and that time had forgotten him in its merciless march toward a future that is never overtaken. Such is one picture of the old professor—a mental snap shot taken from a curbstone."

A MATTER OF YEARS.

The average age of senators is 59 years; eight are less than 45.
Prof. Marcus Wilson, of Vineland, N. J., author of a successful school series and many other works, was 90 years old recently, and is believed to be the oldest American author still able to do literary work. He was unable to attend a birthday reception in his honor tendered by a historical society, excusing himself on the ground that he was hard at work on a new book, and was also perfecting a patent which would surprise his friends.

Ex-Gov. Horace Boies, of Iowa, is now living in retirement, and shows no inclination to figure again in public affairs. He is living on his large farm near Eldora, Ia., where the former popular idol of the Iowa democracy lives in ease and comfort the life of a farmer. His farm consists of 1,500 acres and is in a fine state of cultivation. He has aged rapidly since the death of his son. A valuation of \$500,000 has been placed on his farm.

"My life has been strangely ruled by the number nine," Plus X. is quoted as saying previous to being chosen pope. "Nine years I was a school boy at Riese; nine years a student at Padua; nine years a curate at Tombolo; nine years a priest at Salzano; nine years a canon at Treviso; nine years a bishop at Mantua, now for nine years I have been cardinal-patriarch at Venice. If I become pope—as long as God wills; perhaps another nine years."

IN THE WORLD OF LEARNING.

Mlle. de Flaudra has been given the degree of doctor of science by the faculty of sciences of Paris, with honorable mention.

Kuno Fischer, the eminent historian of philosophy, has at last been obliged to give up his professorship in Heidelberg. He is in his eightieth year and has been at Heidelberg since 1872.

President Eliot thinks late lunches are ruining the stomachs of the students, so he has ordered the proprietor of an all-night restaurant located on college property to vacate the premises.

Dr. Albert D. Mead, professor of comparative anatomy at Brown university, has returned to the United States after a thorough inspection of all the important laboratories and experiment stations in Europe.

Prof. Edward Wheeler Scripture, the psychologist, director of the psychological laboratory of Yale university, has arrived in Munich, with the object of conducting experiments on the human voice by means of the gramophone. The Carnegie institute is furnishing the funds.

Glen Harrison, aged 13, is teaching a country school in the Ozark mountains near Gainesville, Mo., and probably is the youngest pedagogue in the country. He has 29 pupils, several of them considerably bigger than he, but he has whipped one or two of them and is now treated with the respect due an educator.

FRESH FROM FRANCE.

France has, within six months, paid in subsidies for new ships \$38,600,000.

M. Gaub, the French chemist, says that if the hair crop could all be shorn from the women of France for one year, it could be made to produce 1,022,000 pounds of iron.

The total production of sugar in France in 1901-2 amounted to 1,061,930 tons, of which 320,743 tons were exempt from duty, as the official estimates had fallen that far short of the actual returns.

Lucie Felix-Faure, the daughter of a former president of France, who lately married George Goyan, is a distinguished woman of letters. She has studied the philosophy, literature and theology of many countries.

HUMORS PEOPLE.

President Marroquin of Colombia Does Not Want War Although He Is Taking Trouble.

That the Colombian government is honoring the warlike sentiment of the people by making the purchase of an immense fleet is not a mere matter of fact. The leading newspapers have published statements from President Marroquin to the effect that he is preparing for the coming war. It was reported in January that the Colombian government had bought an American steamer or two, and was negotiating for others at New Orleans and San Francisco—presumably intending to use



PRESIDENT MARROQUIN.
(Chief Executive of the United States of Colombia.)

them for purposes of transport. The action of the government at the present time must be limited to guarding the railroad and preventing the landing of troops near either terminus of the line. Colombia's moving of soldiers and supplies to regions of her own territory, whether lands or mainland, in the vicinity of Panama would meet with no interference from our government. Thus, some weeks ago the Colombians landed a considerable number of troops on the island known as Old Providence without opposition from our navy. The people of that island have since petitioned the republic of Panama to annex them, but their request has been denied, on the ground that Panama has no means for protecting them in an emergency. Several hundred Colombian troops, early in January, also were landed on St. Andrews island, which, although well to the northward and lying off the coast of Nicaragua, like Providence island, happens to belong to Colombia. This island, also, seeks annexation to Panama.

HEAVY FIGHTING SHIPS.

Admiral Dewey Scores Victory Over Secretary Moody Before Congressional Committee.

Admiral Dewey's suggestions in favor of heavy fighting ships for the navy prevailed with the house committee on naval affairs over the recommendation of the general board, submitted by Secretary Moody. The naval appropriation bill was completed by the committee after a hearing granted Admiral Dewey. It carries an aggregate appropriation of \$95,000,000. The ships authorized are one battleship, two armored cruisers, three scout cruisers and two squadron colliers. The appropriation of \$500,000 made last year for two submarine boats was reappropriated, the boats to be purchased in the discretion of the secretary



ADMIRAL DEWEY.
(Head of the American Navy Who Has Just Won Great Legislative Victory.)

of the navy. This building programme gives a total of 44,000 tons of heavy fighting ships, as compared with 62,000 last year. The heavy construction provided will cost \$21,750,000, while the lighter construction will bring the cost of the building programme up to \$28,000,000. Provision was made for an armor plate factory to cost \$4,000,000, which the secretary of the navy is authorized to construct in case he cannot secure armor from private bidders at a reasonable price.

Divorced Women in Japan.
If a Japanese husband divorces his wife he makes no provision for her and she has no dowry from her family; but divorced women in Japan nearly always marry again. She brings him nothing but a gentle and obedient slave, and takes nothing away with her but the same valuable commodity.

American Railroad Stocks.
One hundred persons in the United States own a railway stock or bonds. Eighty per cent. of the holdings in American railroads is now held in the United States.

Where Iowa Doesn't Lead.
Iowa pays women school teachers less than any other state, the average salary being \$36.91 per month.

LEGAL NOTICE.

W. Calvin Chase and L. M. King, Attorneys.
Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, Holding a Probate Court.

No. 11,931, Administration.
This is to give notice:
That the subscriber, of the District of Columbia, has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, letters of administration on the estate of Thomas Robinson late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the decedent are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with vouchers therefor legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 15th day of December, A. D. 1904; otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 15th day of December 1903.
William Robinson, 221 Capital Ave., City, D. C.
Attest: John R. Rouzer,
Deputy Register of Wills for the District of Columbia, Clerk of the Probate Court.

Ferri W. Frisby, Attorney.
Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, Holding a Probate Court.

No. 1073, Administration.
This is to give notice:
That the subscriber of the District of Columbia has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, letters Testamentary on the estate of oxv Chatman late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with vouchers therefor legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 15th day of December, A. D. 1904; otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

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